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**City of Bell
Annual Financial Report of its**

**Proposition A Local Return Fund
Proposition C Local Return Fund
Measure R Local Return Fund
Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund**

**As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2016
with Report of Independent Auditors**

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FINANCIAL SECTION

Report of Independent Auditors

**To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the
City of Bell, 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, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds), of the City of Bell, California (the City) which comprise the Funds' balance sheets as of June 30, 2016, and the related statements of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from 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.



Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Proposition A Local Return Fund, the Proposition C Local Return Fund, the Measure R Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund of the City of Bell, California, as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matter

As discussed in Note 9, the fiscal year 2015 financial statements of Proposition A Local Return Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund have been restated to correct a misstatement. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

The financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund, the Proposition C Local Return Fund, the Measure R Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, before the Proposition A Local Return Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund financial statements were restated for the matter discussed in Note 9, were audited by other auditors, whose report, dated November 5, 2015, expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 2, the financial statements present only the Proposition A Local Return Fund, the Proposition C Local Return Fund, the Measure R Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund of the City and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the City as of June 30, 2016, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on each of the Funds' financial statements as a whole. The supplementary information identified in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The supplementary information identified in the table of contents is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the Funds' basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the Funds' basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the Funds' basic financial statements or to the Funds' basic 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 each of the Funds' basic financial statements as a whole.



Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 22, 2016 on our consideration of the City's internal control over the Funds' 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 the Funds' financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over the Funds' 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 the Funds' financial reporting and compliance.

Vasquez & Company LLP

Los Angeles, California
December 22, 2016

City of Bell
**Proposition A Local Return Fund
Balance Sheets**

		June 30	
		2016	2015 (as restated)
ASSETS			
Cash and investments	\$	164,837	\$ 2,069
Accounts receivable		215	-
Interest receivable		21	-
Total assets	\$	165,073	\$ 2,069
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	75,934	\$ 143,671
Due to General Fund		-	28,735
Accrued payroll and employee benefits		422	154
Total liabilities		76,356	172,560
Fund balance (deficit)			
Restricted		88,717	(170,491)
Total fund balance (deficit)		88,717	(170,491)
Total liabilities and fund balance (deficit)	\$	165,073	\$ 2,069

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
Proposition A Local Return Fund
Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

	Years ended June 30	
	2016	2015 (as restated)
Revenues		
Proposition A	\$ 649,304	\$ 632,833
Interest income	49	54
Buss pass sales	35,134	36,778
Total revenues	684,487	669,665
Expenditures		
Various projects	429,824	901,476
Total expenditures	429,824	901,476
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	254,663	(231,811)
Other financing sources		
Transfers-in	4,545	-
Total other financing sources	4,545	-
Net change in fund balance	259,208	(231,811)
Fund balance (deficit) at beginning of year, as restated	(170,491)	61,320
Fund balance (deficit) at end of year	\$ 88,717	\$ (170,491)

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
Proposition A Local Return Fund
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and LACMTA Approved Project Budget
Year ended June 30, 2016
(With Comparative Actuals for 2015)

Project Code	Project Name	2016			2015 Actual
		LACMTA Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	
110-01	Bell Fixed Route Transite Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 135,127
110-02	Bus Rental	-	-	-	2,345
120-01	Dial-A-Ride	220,000	201,606	18,394	309,636
140-04	Recreational Transit	15,000	12,391	2,609	22,164
170-02	Bus Shelter Maintenance	87,504	84,324	3,180	177,584
200-01	Fixed Route Bus Replacement	-	-	-	95,952
250-03	Bus Pass Subsidy Program	90,000	84,306	5,694	97,657
270-01	Fixed Route Rest Stop Design Work	-	-	-	2,400
480-03	Administration	48,451	47,197	1,254	57,931
500-01	MTA Audit Consulting	-	-	-	680
Total expenditures		\$ 460,955	\$ 429,824	\$ 31,131	\$ 901,476

See report of independent auditors.

City of Bell
Proposition A Local Return Fund
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Capital Assets
Year ended June 30, 2016

<u>Date Acquired</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2016</u>
2004	Imaginistics Copier	\$ 10,534	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,534
2010	1 2010 Braun Entervan Bus	30,000	-	-	30,000
2010	2 2010 Goshen Buses	60,000	-	-	60,000
2014	Class E-27 Ford-550 El Dorado	87,103	-	-	87,103
2014	Decals for Ford-550 El Dorado	8,041	-	-	8,041
Total		\$ 195,678	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 195,678

See report of independent auditors.

**City of Bell
Proposition C Local Return Fund
Balance Sheets**

		June 30	
		2016	2015 (as restated)
ASSETS			
Cash and investments	\$	1,935,058	\$ 1,719,274
Interest receivable		1,485	685
Total assets	\$	1,936,543	\$ 1,719,959
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	327,195	\$ 4,630
Total liabilities		327,195	4,630
Fund balance			
Restricted		1,609,348	1,715,329
Total fund balance		1,609,348	1,715,329
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	1,936,543	\$ 1,719,959

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
Proposition C Local Return Fund
Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

	Years ended June 30	
	2016	2015 (as restated)
Revenues		
Proposition C	\$ 540,993	\$ 527,428
Interest Income	4,900	2,494
Total revenues	545,893	529,922
 Expenditures		
Various projects	651,874	472,800
Total expenditures	651,874	472,800
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	 (105,981)	 57,122
 Fund balance at beginning of year, as restated	 <u>1,715,329</u>	 <u>1,658,207</u>
 Fund balance at end of year	 <u>\$ 1,609,348</u>	 <u>\$ 1,715,329</u>

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
Proposition C Local Return Fund
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and LACMTA Approved Project Budget
Year ended June 30, 2016
(With Comparative Actuals for 2015)

Project Code	Project Name	2016			2015 Actual
		LACMTA Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	
120-01	Dial-A-Ride	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -
170-03	Metro Rapid Shelter	2,000	-	2,000	-
270-03	Local Return Arterial and Transit Component of Major Corridor Study	75,000	50,855	24,145	-
440-02	Florence Avenue A.C. Overlay	-	-	-	34,742
440-04	Gage and Walker Improvement	185,100	73,067	112,033	32,885
440-05	Pavement Rehabilitation Project (2014/15)	-	-	-	405,173
440-06	Pavement Rehabilitation Project (2015/16)	270,000	253,886	16,114	-
440-07	Florence Avenue Overlay	280,000	124,066	155,934	-
	Total expenditures	\$ 962,100	\$ 651,874	\$ 310,226	\$ 472,800

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City of Bell
Proposition C Local Return Fund
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Capital Assets
Year ended June 30, 2016

<u>Date Acquired</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2016</u>
6/30/2002	Eastern Avenue Overlay	\$ 229,629	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 229,629
6/30/2002	Florence/Otis	37,022	-	-	37,022
6/30/2002	Eastern/ Bandini Cabinet	50,442	-	-	50,442
6/30/2002	Florence/Otis Signal	17,805	-	-	17,805
6/30/2002	Florence/Walker Signal	36,057	-	-	36,057
6/30/2002	Gage/Orchard Signal	17,550	-	-	17,550
6/30/2002	LED Signal-Citywide	93,198	-	-	93,198
6/30/2003	Florence Atlantic AC Overlay	225,222	-	-	225,222
6/30/2003	Atlantic/Bell/Brompton Signals	52,280	-	-	52,280
6/30/2004	Atlantic at Gage Signal Bus Shelter	81,748	-	-	81,748
6/30/2004	Bus Shelter - Installation and Rehabilitation	47,444	-	-	47,444
6/30/2004	Florence/Walker Signal	173,532	-	-	173,532
6/30/2005	Flora at Florence Signal	23,339	-	-	23,339
6/30/2005	Gage at Orchard Signal	20,205	-	-	20,205
6/30/2006	Florence at Vinevale Signal	91,558	-	-	91,558
6/30/2006	Florence at Wilcox Signal	153,687	-	-	153,687
6/30/2008	Atlantic Avenue at Bell Brompton Signal	23,134	-	-	23,134
6/30/2008	Atlantic Avenue at Bell Plaza Signal	38,238	-	-	38,238
6/30/2008	Atlantic Avenue at Shopping Center Signal	50,720	-	-	50,720
6/30/2008	Wilcox at Acacia Signal	135,771	-	-	135,771
6/30/2009	Slauson at 710 Freeway	20,934	-	-	20,934
6/30/2009	Florence at Otis Traffic Signal	98,205	-	-	98,205
6/30/2014	Florence Avenue-Atlantic-Wilcox	369,787	-	-	369,787
5/21/2015	Pavement Rehabilitation Project (2014/15)	405,176	-	-	405,176
6/17/2016	Florence Ave Overlay West of Atlantic	-	111,552	-	111,552
6/30/2016	Florence Ave Overlay West of Atlantic	-	488	-	488
6/30/2016	Florence Ave Overlay West of Atlantic	-	3,018	-	3,018
11/03/2015	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	1,050	-	1,050
12/02/2015	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	459	-	459
12/10/2015	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	3,530	-	3,530
1/07/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	7,040	-	7,040
1/27/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	5,018	-	5,018
3/17/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	451	-	451
4/04/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	4,088	-	4,088
4/06/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	7,934	-	7,934
4/08/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	22,425	-	22,425
5/05/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	474	-	474
5/06/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	3,474	-	3,474
6/03/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	5,300	-	5,300
6/30/2016	Gage/Walker-Concrete Pavement	-	10,920	-	10,920
6/30/2016	PRP-PHASE IV 15-16	-	253,886	-	253,886
Total		\$ 2,492,683	\$ 441,107	\$ -	\$ 2,933,790

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City of Bell
Measure R Local Return Fund
Balance Sheets

		June 30	
		2016	2015
ASSETS			
Cash and investments	\$	818,175	\$ 467,688
Interest receivable		552	205
Total assets	\$	818,727	\$ 467,893
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	500,000	\$ -
Total liabilities		500,000	-
Fund balance			
Restricted		318,727	467,893
Total fund balance		318,727	467,893
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	818,727	\$ 467,893

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
Measure R Local Return Fund
Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

	Years ended June 30	
	2016	2015
Revenues		
Measure R	\$ 404,179	\$ 393,778
Interest Income	1,652	913
Total revenues	405,831	394,691
Expenditures		
Various projects	554,997	571,873
Total expenditures	554,997	571,873
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(149,166)	(177,182)
Other financing sources		
Transfers-in	-	27,778
Total other financing sources	-	27,778
Net change in fund balance	(149,166)	(149,404)
Fund balance at beginning of year	467,893	617,297
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 318,727	\$ 467,893

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
Measure R Local Return Fund
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and LACMTA Approved Project Budget
Year ended June 30, 2016
(With Comparative Actuals for 2015)

Project Code	Project Name	2016		Variance Positive (Negative)	2015 Actual
		LACMTA Budget	Actual		
1.05	Pavement Rehabilitation Project 2014/15 \$	-	-	-	563,167
1.05	Pavement Rehabilitation Project 2015/16	700,000	500,000	200,000	-
5.05	Bus Stop Stations	55,000	53,702	1,298	-
8.10	Fund Administration (20% cap)	4,400	1,295	3,105	8,706
	Total expenditures \$	759,400 \$	554,997 \$	204,403 \$	571,873

See report of independent auditors.

City of Bell
Measure R Local Return Fund
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Capital Assets
Year ended June 30, 2016

<u>Date Acquired</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance July 1, 2015</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance June 30, 2016</u>
5/21/2015	Pavement Rehabilitation Project	\$ 563,167	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 563,167
8/30/2015	Pavement Rehabilitation Project	-	500,000	-	500,000
	Total	<u>\$ 563,167</u>	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,063,167</u>

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City of Bell
 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund
 Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 99234
 Balance Sheets

		June 30	
		2016	2015
ASSETS			
Cash and Investment			
Due from LACMTA		\$ <u>8,200</u>	\$ -
Total assets		\$ <u>8,200</u>	\$ -
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable		\$ <u>8,200</u>	\$ -
Total liabilities		<u>8,200</u>	-
Fund balance			
Restricted		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total fund balance		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance		\$ <u>8,200</u>	\$ -

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund
 Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 99234
Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

	Years ended June 30	
	2016	2015
Revenues		
Intergovernmental Allocations:		
Article 3	\$ <u>8,200</u>	\$ <u>27,000</u>
Total revenues	<u>8,200</u>	<u>27,000</u>
 Expenditures		
Construction/Maintenance	<u>8,200</u>	<u>27,000</u>
Total expenditures	<u>8,200</u>	<u>27,000</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	-	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance at end of year	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

See notes to Funds financial statements.

City of Bell
Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund
Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 99234
Supplementary Information
Schedule of Transportation Development Act Allocation for Specific Projects
Year ended June 30, 2016

Project Description	Program Year	Totals to Date		Unexpended Allocations	Project Status
		Allocations	Expenditures		
Local Allocations:					
Pavement Rehabilitation Project	2016	\$ 8,200	\$ 8,200	\$ -	Ongoing
	Totals	<u>\$ 8,200</u>	<u>\$ 8,200</u>	-	
Fund balance at beginning of year				-	
Fund balance at end of year				<u>\$ -</u>	

See report of independent auditors.

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Fund Accounting

The operations 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) (collectively, the Funds) 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 is derived from 15% of a county-wide 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.

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

The PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, and TDAA3F are reported as Special Revenue Funds of the City and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they become "susceptible to accrual", that is, measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Expenditures are recorded when the liability is 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.

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 do not purport to, and do not present fairly the City's financial position as of June 30, 2016, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

NOTE 3 PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Proposition A Ordinance requires that Local Return (LR) funds be used exclusively to benefit public transit. Expenditures related to fixed route and paratransit services, Transportation Demand Management, Transportation Systems Management and fare subsidy programs that exclusively benefit transit are all eligible uses of Proposition A LR funds. Proposition A LR funds may also be traded with other Jurisdictions in exchange for general or other funds.

The Proposition C Ordinance directs that LR funds also be used to benefit public transit, as described above, but provides an expanded list of eligible project expenditures including Congestion Management Programs, bikeways and bike lanes, street improvements supporting public transit service, and Pavement Management System projects. Proposition C LR funds cannot be traded.

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. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

NOTE 4 MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Measure R Ordinance specifies that LR funds be used exclusively for transportation purposes.

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. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

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. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

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.

Please refer to the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for a full description of risks relating to cash and investments.

NOTE 7 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND REVENUE ALLOCATION

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

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
FY 2011/12 allocation	\$	7,339	\$	15,601
FY 2012/13 allocation		861		11,399
	\$	<u>8,200</u>	\$	<u>27,000</u>

NOTE 8 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUNDS RESERVED

In accordance with TDA Article 3 (SB821) Guidelines, funds which will not be 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 LACMTA. As of June 30, 2016 and 2015, the City has funds on reserve as follows:

		<u>2016</u>		<u>2015</u>
FY 2011/12 allocation	\$	-	\$	7,339
FY 2012/13 allocation		26,803		27,664
FY 2013/14 reserve		29,003		29,003
FY 2014/15 reserve		23,625		23,625
FY 2015/16 allocation		22,931		-
	\$	<u>102,362</u>	\$	<u>87,631</u>

For FY 2015/16, any TDA Article 3 funds left on reserve for FY 2011/12 or prior, are subject to lapse if not claimed by the City by June 30, 2016. There were no funds that lapsed in FY 2015/16.

NOTE 9 RESTATEMENT OF PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUNDS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2015 financial statements of PALRF and PCLRF were restated to reflect the adjustments on the following accounts:

		<u>Cash</u>	<u>Due from other funds</u>	<u>Total liabilities</u>	<u>Fund balance</u>
Balance, as previously restated	\$	-	\$ 2,069	\$ 172,591	\$ (170,522)
Adjustment		2,069	(2,069)	(31)	31
Balance, as restated	\$	<u>2,069</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 172,560</u>	<u>\$ (170,491)</u>

NOTE 9 RESTATEMENT OF PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUNDS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

PCLRF	Cash	Fund balance
Balance, as previously restated	\$ 1,708,549	\$ 1,704,604
Adjustment	<u>10,725</u>	<u>10,725</u>
Balance, as restated	<u>\$ 1,719,274</u>	<u>\$ 1,715,329</u>

NOTE 10 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City has evaluated subsequent events through December 22, 2016, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and concluded no events have occurred that require disclosure or adjustments to the financial statements.

**Report of Independent Auditors 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 Bell, California and the
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority**

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 in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund, the Proposition C Local Return Fund, the Measure R Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds) of the City of Bell, California (the 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 December 22, 2016.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audits of the Funds' financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over the Funds' financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the Funds' 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 Funds' 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 all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audits 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 Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund financial statements 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 audits, 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 results 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
December 22, 2016

COMPLIANCE SECTION

Report of Independent Auditors on Compliance

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

Report on Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Bell, California (the 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 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds (collectively, the Guidelines) for the year ended June 30, 2016.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the City's compliance with the Guidelines.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance with the Guidelines based on our audit. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with the 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. Those standards and the Guidelines require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Proposition A Local Return Program, Proposition C Local Return Program, Measure R Local Return Program, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 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 with the Guidelines. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance with the Guidelines.

Opinion

In our opinion, the City of Bell, California complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements of the Guidelines for the year ended June 30, 2016.



Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City's internal control over compliance to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance, 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 on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with the requirements, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance 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 might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies 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 requirements of the Guidelines. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vagueney & Company LLP".

Los Angeles, California
December 22, 2016

**City of Bell
Compliance Matrix
Year ended June 30, 2016**

Compliance Requirements	In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
	Yes	No	N/A		
A. Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Funds					
1. Uses the State Controller's Uniform System of Accounts and Records.	X				
2. Timely use of funds.	X				
3. Funds expended were approved and have not been substituted for property tax.	X				
4. Expenditures that exceeded 25% of approved project budget have approved amended Project Description Form (Form A)	X				
5. Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap of the total annual Local Return Expenditures.	X				
6. All on-going and carryover projects were reported in Form B.	X				
7. Annual Project Summary Report (Form B) was submitted on time.	X				
8. Annual Expenditure Report (Form C) was submitted on time.	X				
9. Cash or cash equivalents are maintained.	X				
10. Accounting procedures, record keeping and documentation are adequate.	X				
11. Pavement Management System (PMS) in place and being used for Street Maintenance or Improvement Projects Expenditures.	X				
12. Local Return Account is credited for reimbursable expenditures.			X		
13. Self-Certification was completed and submitted for Intelligent Transportation Systems projects or elements.			X		
14. Assurances and Understandings form was on file.	X				
15. Recreational Transit Form was submitted on time.	X				

**City of Bell
Compliance Matrix
Year ended June 30, 2016**

Compliance Requirements	In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
	Yes	No	N/A		
B. Measure R Local Return Fund					
1. Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	X				
2. Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	X				
3. Signed Assurances and Understandings on file.	X				
4. Separate Measure R Local Return Account was established.	X				
5. Revenues received including allocations, project generated revenues and interest income was properly credited to the Measure R Local Return Account.	X				
6. Funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	X				
7. Expenditure Plan (Form One) was submitted on time.	X				
8. Expenditure Report (Form Two) was submitted on time.	X				
9. Timely use of funds.	X				
10. Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap.	X				
11. Fund exchanges were approved by LACMTA.			X		
12. A separate account was established for Capital reserve funds and Capital reserve was approved by LACMTA.			X		
13. Recreational transit form was submitted on time.			X		
C. Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund					
1. Timely use of funds.	X				
2. Expenditures were incurred for activities relating to pedestrian and bicycle facilities and amenities.	X				

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

City of Bell
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
Year ended June 30, 2016

There were no findings noted.

EXIT CONFERENCE

An exit conference was held on December 22, 2016 with the City of Bell representative. Those in attendance were:

Vasquez and Company LLP representative:
Marialyn Salvador – Audit Manager

City of Bell representative:
Hector Vazquez – Accounting Manager

Matters discussed:

Results of the audit disclosed no significant compliance or financial statement issues.

A copy of this report was forwarded to the following City of Bell representative for comments prior to the issuance of the final report:

Hector Vazquez – Accounting Manager



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