

City of Gardena 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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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Gardena, 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 Gardena, 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 Gardena, 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 12 to the financial statements, the fiscal year 2015 financial statements of Measure R 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 financial statements of Measure R Local Return Fund were restated for the matter discussed in Note 12, were audited by other auditors, whose report, dated November 23, 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 27, 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.

Vargues & Company LLP

Los Angeles, California December 27, 2016

	June 30		
_	2016	2015	
ASSETS			
\$	2,625,348	\$ 2,551,981	
	301,552	215,717	
Total assets \$ _	2,926,900	2,767,698	
-			
AND FUND BALANCE			
\$ _	- 9	S <u> </u>	
Total liabilities	-		
-	2,926,900	2,767,698	
Total fund balance	2,926,900	2,767,698	
Total liabilities and fund balance \$	2,926,900	2,767,698	
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See notes to Funds financial statements.

		 Years ended June 30			
		2016	2015		
Revenues					
Proposition A	ę	\$ 1,084,495 \$	1,053,442		
Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Gra	nt	164,422	164,264		
Passenger fares		12,890	14,548		
Elderly and handicapped services progra	m income	351,322	294,630		
Interest income		 18,830	29,242		
	Total revenues	1,631,959	1,556,126		
Expenditures Various projects		 1,472,757	1,556,126		
	Total expenditures	1,472,757	1,556,126		
Excess of revenues over expenditures		159,202	-		
Fund balance at beginning of year		 2,767,698	2,767,698		
Fund balance at end of year	9	\$ 2,926,900 \$	2,767,698		

	2016								
Project Code	Project Name	LACMTA Budget Actual			Variance Positive (Negative)		2015 Actual		
110-01	Fixed Route Transit \$	5	740,000	\$	600,000	\$	140,000 \$	\$	1,065,637
130-01	Special Service Paratransit		55,300		579,102	а	(523,802)		367,867
480-63	Paratransit Administrative Expenditures		220,000		293,655	b	(73,655)		122,622
	Total expenditures \$;	1,015,300	\$	1,472,757	\$	(457,457) \$	\$	1,556,126

The actual variance after considering other funding sources is calculated as follows:

^a LACMTA Budget		\$	55,300
Total expenditures	\$ 579,102		
Less: Contributions from other government agencies	(341,181)		
Less: Proposition A Discretionary Grant	(164,422)		
Less: Other local assistance	 (4,375)		
PALRF Expenditures			69,124
Actual Variance Positive (Negative)		\$	(13,824)
N		¢	
LACMTA Budget		\$	220,000
Total expenditures	\$ 293,655		
Less: Other local assistance	(5,766)		
Less: Fare revenues	 (12,890)		
PALRF Expenditures			274,999
Actual Variance Positive (Negative)		\$	(54,999)

See report of independent auditors.

Date Acquired	Description		Balance July 1, 2015	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2016
2002	Buick Century (Veh ID 839)	\$	19,103	\$-	\$-\$	19,103
2003	Destination Signs & Annuciators		11,610	-	-	11,610
2008	2008 Ford Crown Victoria	_	23,094	-	-	23,094
		Total \$	53,807	\$	\$\$	53,807

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		June 30			
		2016	2015		
	ASSETS				
Cash and investments	\$	1,505,135_\$	1,420,938		
	Total assets \$	<u>1,505,135</u> \$	1,420,938		
LIABILITIES Liabilities Accounts payable	S AND FUND BALANCE \$ Total liabilities	<u> </u>	<u>-</u> -		
Fund balance					
Restricted		1,505,135	1,420,938		
	Total fund balance	1,505,135	1,420,938		
	Total liabilities and fund balance \$	1,505,135 \$	1,420,938		

See notes to Funds financial statements.

		Years ended	June 30
		2016	2015
Revenues			
Proposition C	\$	899,669 \$	874,481
Interest Income		11,124	6,201
	Total revenues	910,793	880,682
Expenditures Various projects	Total expenditures	826,596 826,596	847,518 847,518
Excess of revenues over expenditures		84,197	33,164
Fund balance at beginning of year	_	1,420,938	1,387,774
Fund balance at end of year	\$	1,505,135 \$	1,420,938

City of Gardena 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	LACM TA Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	2015 Actual
440-47	Manhattan Beach Blvd. Improvement	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 263,951
440-48	Normandie Ave. Street Improvement	-	-	-	389,651
440-53	Pavement Management Program	-	-	-	59,689
440-54	Gardena Blvd Street Improvement - Normandie Ave to				
	Vermont Ave (JN 884)	400,000	345,547	54,453	42,030
440-55	158th Street Improvement - Western Ave to				
	Normandie Ave (JN 886)	350,000	291,476	58,524	62,281
440-59	139th Street Improvement - Western Ave to				
	Budlong Avenue Ave (JN 893)	500,000	146,646	353,354	-
480-50	Normandie Ave. Street Improvement	-	-	-	695
480-56	Pavement Management Program	-	-	-	6,133
480-57	Gardena Blvd Street Improvement - Normandie Ave to				
	Vermont Ave (JN 884)	10,000	689	9,311	11,735
480-58	158th Street Improvement - Western Ave to				
	Normandie Ave (JN 886)	10,000	323	9,677	11,353
480-60	139th Street Improvement - Western Ave to				
	Budlong Ave (JN 893)	15,000	17,185	(2,185)	-
480-62	Traffic Signal Upgrade, Various Locations, JN 911	10,000	10,827	(827)	-
500-61	Traffic Signal Upgrade, Various Locations, JN 911	100,000	13,903	86,097	
	Total expenditures	\$ 1,395,000	\$ 826,596	\$ 568,404	\$ 847,518

Date Acquired		Description		Balance July 1, 2015	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2016
	None		\$ Total \$	- 9	r¢	6 <u>-</u> \$ 6 <u>-</u> \$	-

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	June 30			
		2015		
	2016	(as restated)		
ASSETS				
Accounts receivable \$	352,867	\$ 194,532		
Due from other governments	220,390	2,511,646		
Total assets \$ _	573,257	\$2,706,178		
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities				
Due to General Fund \$	284,575	\$ 2,207,688		
Total liabilities	284,575	2,207,688		
Deferred inflows of resources				
Unavailable revenues	352,867	-		
Total deferred inflows of resources	352,867	-		
Fund balance (deficit)				
Restricted	(64,185)	498,490		
Total fund balance (deficit)	(64,185)	498,490		
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and				
fund balance (deficit) \$ _	573,257	\$2,706,178		

	 Years ended June 30			
		2015		
	 2016	(as restated)		
Revenues				
Measure R	\$ 675,078 \$	655,500		
Measure R Highway Grant	302,172	4,468,984		
Interest income	 1,131	4,240		
Total revenues	 978,381	5,128,724		
Expenditures Expenditures funded by MRLRF Expenditures funded by Measure R Highway Grant Total expenditures	 842,672 698,384 1,541,056	875,961 4,479,798 5,355,759		
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	(562,675)	(227,035)		
Fund balance at beginning of year, as restated	 498,490	725,525		
Fund balance (deficit) at end of year	\$ <u>(64,185)</u> \$	498,490		

Project Code	Project Name	LACMTA Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	2015 Actual
1.05	Street Maintenance and Repair \$	1,274,237 \$	401,167 \$	873,070 \$	400,359
3.05	Pedestrian Safety Improvement JN 867	-	-	-	220,088
3.05	Pedestrian Safety Improvement JN 887	-	-	-	255,514
3.05	Pedestrian Safety Improvement JN 894	1,398,215	441,505	956,710	-
	Total expenditures \$	2,672,452 \$	842,672 \$	1,829,780 \$	875,961

Date Acquired		Description			Balance July 1, 2015		Additions	_	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2016
	None		Total	\$_ \$_		\$ \$	<u> </u>	\$_ \$_	\$\$	<u>-</u>

		Ju	ne 30
		2016	2015
Cash and investments	ASSETS \$ Total assets \$		_\$ \$
Liabilities	S AND FUND BALANCE		\$ -
Acounts payable	ې Total liabilities		_⊅
Fund balance Restricted	Total fund balance Total liabilities and fund balance \$	2 2 2	

See notes to Funds financial statements.

		Years ended June 30		
	_	2016	2015	
Revenues Intergovernmental Allocations: Article 3	\$	39,316 \$	48,272	
Interest income	Total revenues	<u>40</u>	48,272	
		39,330	40,272	
Expenditures				
Sidewalk Replacement		39,354	48,272	
	Total expenditures	39,354	48,272	
Excess of revenues over expenditures		2	-	
Fund balance at beginning of year	_		-	
Fund balance at end of year	\$ _	\$	-	

City of Gardena 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

		Drogrom		Totals to Date		Drojact
Project Description		Program Year	Allocations	Expenditures	Unexpended Allocations	Project Status
Local Allocations:						
Sidewalk Replacement	Totals	2016 S		· ·	(38)	Completed
Interest income					40	
Fund balance at beginning of year						
Fund balance at end of year				\$	2	

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.

Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

Pursuant to GASB Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position* and GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*, the County recognizes deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources. A deferred outflow of resources is defined as a consumption of net position by the government that is applicable to a future reporting period. A deferred inflow of resources is defined as a nacquisition of net position by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting by the government that is applicable to a future reporting be a future f

Deferred inflows of resources reported by the City represent unavailable resources that are not available for spending as of June 30, 2016 and 2015.

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 PROPOSITION A DISCRETIONARY INCENTIVE GRANTS

The City received Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Grant amounting to \$164,422 and \$164,264 for the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015 which represent additional funds received from LACMTA for participating in the sub-regional paratransit services program.

The Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Grant was recorded under the PALRF.

NOTE 8 ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED (E&H) SERVICES PROGRAM INCOME – PALRF

The City's Bus Lines provide E&H services to residents of the City of Hawthorne and the unincorporated area known as Alondra Park, Del Aire, and Hawthorne Island. Total revenue recognized from these services amounted to \$351,322 and \$294,630 during the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. These amounts represent local assistance from the City of Hawthorne, the Los Angeles County and cash fares collected.

NOTE 9 MEASURE R HIGHWAY PROGRAM GRANT

In February 2011, LACMTA Board approved to fund "Project Development, Design and Construction of the N-42-Rosecrans Avenue Arterial Improvements from Vermont Avenue to Crenshaw Boulevard and N67-Vermont Avenue Arterial Improvements from Rosecrans Avenue to 182nd Street (collectively, the "Projects"). Under the agreement (MOUs #MR312.17 and #MR312.21), to the extent the Measure R funds are available, LACMTA shall make to the City a grant of the Measure R funds for the Projects. The funds will be released to the City on a reimbursement basis in accordance with invoices submitted in support of the monthly progress report and the quarterly expenditure report submitted to LACMTA a few days after the close of each quarter.

The City recognized \$302,172 and \$4,468,984 of revenue from these projects during the years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively.

NOTE 10 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND REVENUE ALLOCATION

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

	2016	2015
FY 2013/14 reserve	\$ -	\$ 48,272
FY 2014/15 reserve	39,316	-
	\$ 39,316	\$ 48,272

NOTE 11 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:

	2016	2015
FY 2014/15 reserve	\$ -	\$ 39,216
FY 2015/16 allocation	38,289	-
	\$ 38,289	\$ 39,216

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 12 RESTATEMENT OF MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2015 financial statements of Measure R Local Return Fund were restated to reflect the adjustments on the following accounts to include revenues from LACMTA that were not reported under Measure R Local Return Fund in the prior year:

	Balance, as previously reported	Adjustment	Balance, as restated
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 491,516	\$ (491,516)	5 -
Accounts receivable	-	194,532	194,532
Due from other governments	-	2,511,646	2,511,646
Due to General Fund	-	2,207,688	2,207,688
Measure R Highway Grant Expenditures funded by	-	4,468,984	4,468,984
Measure R Highway Grant	-	4,479,798	4,479,798
Fund balance, beginning	707,737	17,788	725,525

NOTE 12 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City has evaluated subsequent events through December 27, 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.



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To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Gardena, 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 Gardena, 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 27, 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.

Vargues & Company LLP

Los Angeles, California December 27, 2016

COMPLIANCE SECTION



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Report of Independent Auditors on Compliance

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

Report on Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Gardena, 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 Gardena, 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 a significant deficiency 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.

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Los Angeles, California December 27, 2016

Compliance Dominamento		Complia	ance	Questioned	If no, provide details and		
Compliance Requirements	Yes No N/A		Costs	management response.			
A. Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Funds							
 Uses the State Controller's Uniform System of Accounts and Records. 	x						
2. Timely use of funds.	Х						
 Funds expended were approved and have not been substituted for property tax. 	x						
 Expenditures that exceeded 25% of approved project budget have approved amended Project Description Form (Form A) 	x						
 Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap of the total annual Local Return Expenditures. 	x						
 All on-going and carryover projects were reported in Form B. 	x						
 Annual Project Summary Report (Form B) was submitted on time. 	x						
 Annual Expenditure Report (Form C) was submitted on time. 	x						
 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				
 Self-Certification was completed and submitted for Intelligent Transportation Systems projects or elements. 			x				
 Assurances and Understandings form was on file. 	x						
 Recreational Transit Form was submitted on time. 			х				

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

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no findings noted.

EXIT CONFERENCE

An exit conference was held on December 27, 2016 with the City of Gardena representative. Those in attendance were:

Vasquez and Company LLP representatives: Cristy Canieda – Partner Marialyn Salvador – Audit Manager

City of Gardena representative: Raymond Beeman – Accounting/Finance 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 Gardena representatives for comments prior to the issuance of the final report:

Raymond Beeman – Accounting/Finance Manager Robert Fujioki – Senior Accountant



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