CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE

PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND
PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND
MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT
ARTICLE 3 FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED
JUNE 30, 2019 AND 2018





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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates, 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), Measure M Local Return Fund (MMLRF), and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) (collectively, the Funds), of the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California (the City) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018, 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 an opinion 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 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 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 PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F of the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California, as of June 30, 2019 and 2018, and the respective changes in their financial position for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 2, the financial statements present only the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F of the City and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California, as of June 30, 2019 and 2018, and the changes in its financial position 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 audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on each of the Funds' financial statements. 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 Funds' financial statements. Such 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 Funds' financial statements or to the Funds' 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' financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have issued our report dated November 1, 2019, 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.

Los Angeles, California

Simpson & Simpson

November 1, 2019

PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND BALANCE SHEET

June 30

	2019	2018
ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$ 76,745	\$ 32,126
Prepaid item	 -	6,740
Total assets	\$ 76,745	\$ 38,866
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$
Total liabilities	 -	
Fund Balance		
Restricted	 76,745	38,866
Total fund balance	 76,745	 38,866
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 76,745	\$ 38,866

PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2019			2018
REVENUES				_
Proposition A	\$	274,300	\$	255,774
Interest income		872		131
Total revenues		275,172	_	255,905
EXPENDITURES				
Various projects		237,293		219,163
Total expenditures		237,293	_	219,163
Excess of revenues over expenditures		37,879		36,742
Fund balance at beginning of year		38,866		2,124
Fund balance at end of year	\$	76,745	\$	38,866

PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES

ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

(With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018)

	_	2019					
			Variance				
Project		Metro			Favorable		2018
Code	Project Name	Budget		Actual	(Unfavorable)		Actual
110-09	PV Transit/DAR \$	230,553	\$	230,553	\$ - :	\$	212,785
270-01	Members Dues - South Bay Cities COG	6,740		6,740	<u> </u>		6,378
	Total expenditures \$	237,293	\$	237,293	\$	\$	219,163

PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS June 30, 2019

Date				Balanc	e					Balance
Acquired		Description		7/1/201	8	Additions	_	Deletions	_	6/30/2019
	None		\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
			Total \$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	

PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND

BALANCE SHEET

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	2019	2018
ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$ 850,403	\$ 608,019
Total assets	\$ 850,403	\$ 608,019
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$
Total liabilities	 -	
Fund Balance		
Restricted	850,403	608,019
Total fund balance	 850,403	 608,019
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 850,403	\$ 608,019

PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,

AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

		2019		2018
REVENUES			_	
Proposition C	\$	227,524	\$	211,719
Interest income		14,860	_	7,822
Total revenues		242,384	_	219,541
EXPENDITURES				
Various projects	-	-	_	
Total expenditures	-	-	_	
Excess of revenues over expenditures		242,384		219,541
Fund balance at beginning of year	-	608,019	_	388,478
Fund balance at end of year	\$	850,403	\$	608,019

PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES

ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

(With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018)

		_		2019			
						Variance	
Project			Metro			Favorable	2018
Code		Project Name	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Actual
	None	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ _
		Total expenditures \$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ _

PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

June :	30,	201	19
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Date			Balance			Balance
Acquired	Description		7/1/2018	 Additions	Deletions	6/30/2019
	None	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		Total \$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND BALANCE SHEET

June 30

			2018		
ASSETS			- <u></u>		
Cash and investments	\$	182,948	\$	176,677	
Total assets	\$	182,948	\$	176,677	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	-	
Total liabilities		-	-		
Fund Balance					
Restricted		182,948		176,677	
Total fund balance		182,948		176,677	
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	182,948	\$	176,677	

MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,

AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	 2019		2018
REVENUES			
Measure R	\$ 170,692	\$	158,904
Interest income	 3,947	_	2,946
Total revenues	174,639		161,850
EXPENDITURES			
Street Repair and Maintenance	 168,368		258,996
Total expenditures	 168,368		258,996
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	6,271		(97,146)
Fund balance at beginning of year	 176,677	_	273,823
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 182,948	\$_	176,677

MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES

ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

(With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018)

		_				
				Variance		
Project			Metro		Favorable	2018
Code	Project Name		Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Actual
1.05	Street Repair and Maintenance	\$	168,368 \$	168,368	\$\$	258,996
	Total expenditure	es \$	168,368 \$	168,368	\$\$	258,996

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS June 30, 2019

Date					Balance					Balance
Acquired		Description			7/1/2018	_	Additions	 Deletions	_	6/30/2019
	None			\$_	_	\$	-	\$ -	\$	
			Total	\$_	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	_

MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND BALANCE SHEET

June 30

			2018		
ASSETS			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	
Cash and investments	\$	342,918	\$	145,245	
Total assets	\$	342,918	\$	145,245	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE					
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	-	
Total liabilities		-	_		
Fund Balance					
Restricted		342,918		145,245	
Total fund balance		342,918		145,245	
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	342,918	\$	145,245	

MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,

AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2019			2018		
REVENUES			_			
Measure M	\$	192,294	\$	144,003		
Interest income		5,379		1,242		
Total revenues	_	197,673	-	145,245		
EXPENDITURES						
Street and Maintenance 2018-19				-		
Total expenditures	_	-		-		
Excess of revenues over expenditures		197,673		145,245		
Fund balance at beginning of year	_	145,245				
Fund balance at end of year	\$_	342,918	\$	145,245		

MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES

ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	_		2019		
			Variance		
Project		Metro		Favorable	2018
Code	Project Name	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)	Actual
1.05	Street and Maintenance 2018-19 \$_	280,316 \$	_	\$ 280,316 \$	
	Total expenditures \$_	280,316 \$	_	\$ 280,316 \$	

MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS June 30, 2019

Date			Balance					Balance
Acquired	Des	scription	 7/1/2018	_	Additions	Deletions	_	6/30/2019
	None	_	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	
		Total	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	

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

June 30

	 2019		2018
ASSETS			
Due from Metro	\$ 9,275	\$	<u>-</u>
Total assets	\$ 9,275	. \$	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	\$	
Total liabilities	 		
Fund Balance			
Restricted	 9,275		
Total fund balance	 9,275		
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 9,275	\$	

TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	 2019		2018
REVENUES			
TDA 3	\$ 54,090	\$	
Total revenues	 54,090		
EXPENDITURES			
Annual sidewalk program	44,815		-
Total expenditures	 44,815		
Excess of revenues under expenditures	9,275		-
Fund balance at beginning of year	 	_	
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 9,275	\$	

TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ALLOCATION FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Program					Unexpended		Project
Project Description	Year	 Allocations	_	Expenditures	3	Allocations	_	Status
Local allocations								
Annual sidewalk program	2018-19	\$ 54,090	\$	44,815	\$	9,275		Ongoing
Total		\$ 54,090	\$	44,815	,			
Fund balance at beginning of year			-		_			
Fund balance at end of year					\$	9,275	*	

^{*} The City has encumbered the remaining fund balance of \$9,275 as of June 30, 2019.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018

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), Measure M Local Return Fund (MMLRF) 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.

MMLRF is derived from 17% 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.

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, MMLRF 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 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. Statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balance for Special Revenue Funds generally presents increases (revenue 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, 2019 and 2018 (Continued)

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Fair Value Measurement

In accordance with Government Accounting Standard Board (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 investment at fair value and recognizes unrealized gain (loss) on investments.

Refer to City's 2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for detailed disclosures regarding the City's investments policy and fair value measurement.

Fund Balance Reporting

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 resources reported in governmental funds.

The PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F report the following fund balance classifications as of June 30, 2019:

Restricted – Amounts that are constrained for specific purpose, which are externally imposed by
providers, such as creditors, or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling
legislation. The uses of the funds' remaining fund balances are restricted for projects approved by
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro).

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, MMLRF and TDAA3F and their compliance with the Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Program Guidelines, Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines, Measure M 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, 2019 and 2018 (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. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

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. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

NOTE 5 – MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

On June 23, 2016, the Metro Board of Directors approved the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan Ordinance, known as Measure M. In accordance with Measure M Local Return Program Guidelines, funds received pursuant to these guidelines may only be used for Measure M Local Return approved programs. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

NOTE 6 – 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 7 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F's cash and investment balances were pooled with various other City funds for deposit and investment purposes. The share of each fund in the pooled cash and investments 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.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 (Continued)

NOTE 8 – TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUND REVENUE ALLOCATION

The revenue allocation for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 consisted of the following:

	_	2019	_	2018
FY 2013-14 allocation	\$	9,056	\$	-
FY 2014-15 allocation		8,982		-
FY 2015-16 allocation		8,722		-
FY 2016-17 allocation		9,111		-
FY 2017-18 allocation		8,944		-
FY 2018-19 allocation		9,275		
Total payment requested	\$	54,090	\$	-

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, 2019, and 2018, the City has funds on reserve as follows:

	 2019	2018
FY 2013-14 allocation	\$ -	\$ 9,056
FY 2014-15 allocation	-	8,982
FY 2015-16 allocation	-	8,722
FY 2016-17 allocation	-	9,111
FY 2017-18 allocation	-	8,944
FY 2018-19 allocation	-	-
Available reserve balance	\$ -	\$ 44,815

NOTE 10 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City has evaluated events or transactions that occurred subsequent to June 30, 2019 through November 1, 2019, 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 Palos Verdes Estates, 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, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, Measure M Local Return Fund, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds) of the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California (the City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 1, 2019.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the Funds' 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 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 entity's 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 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 Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, Measure M 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 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

November 1, 2019







Independent Auditor's Report On Compliance

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority

Report on Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California (the City) with the Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Guidelines, Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Measure M 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 (collectively, the Guidelines) for the year ended June 30, 2019.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the City's compliance with the 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 Proposition A Local Return Program, Proposition C Local Return Program, Measure R Local Return Program, Measure M 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 on Each Local Return Program and Transportation Development Act Article 3

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements of the Guidelines for the year ended June 30, 2019.



Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed 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. 2019-001. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

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 responses.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the Guidelines 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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance under the Guidelines 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 Guidelines 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. 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 requirements of the Guidelines. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Los Angeles, California

Simpson & Simpson

November 1, 2019

COMPLIANCE MATRIX Year Ended June 30, 2019

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
A. Pr	oposition A and Proposition C Local Return Fu	nds				
1.	Uses the State Controller's Uniform System of Accounts and Records.	X			None	
2.	Timely use of funds.		X		\$178.474	See Finding #2019-001 on the Schedule of Findings and Recommendations.
3.	Funds expended were approved and have not been substituted for property tax.	X			None	
4.	Expenditures that exceeded 25% of approved project budget have approved amended Project Description Form (Form A).			X	None	There were no expenditures that exceeded 25% of approved project budget.
5.	Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap of the total annual Local Return Expenditures.			X	None	There were no administrative expenditures in FY 2018/19.
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.	Cash or cash equivalents are maintained.	X			None	
10.	Accounting procedures, record keeping, and documentation are adequate.	X			None	
11.	Pavement Management System (PMS) is in place and being used for Street Maintenance or Improvement Projects Expenditures.			X	None	There were no street maintenance or improvement projects expenditures in FY 2018/19.
12.	Local Return Account is credited for reimbursable expenditures.	X			None	
13.	Self-Certification was completed and submitted for Intelligent Transportation Systems projects or elements.			X	None	There were no Intelligent Transportation Systems projects or elements in FY 2018/19.
14.	Assurances and Understandings form was on file.	X			None	
15.	Recreational transit form was submitted on time.			X	None	There was no recreational transit in FY 2018/19.

COMPLIANCE MATRIX Year Ended June 30, 2019 (Continued)

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
B. M	easure R Local Return Fund					
1.	Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	X			None	
2.	Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	X			None	
3.	Signed Assurances and Understandings was on file.	X			None	
4.	Separate Measure R Local Return Account was established.	X			None	
5.	Revenues received including allocations, project generated revenues and interest income was properly credited to the Measure R Local Return Account.	X			None	
6.	Funds were expended with Metro's approval.	X			None	
7.	Expenditure Plan (Form One) was submitted on time.	X			None	
8.	Expenditure Report (Form Two) was submitted on time.	X			None	
9.	Timely use of funds.	X			None	
10.	Administrative expenditures are within the 20% cap.			X	None	There were no administrative expenditures in FY 2018/19.
11.	Fund exchanges were approved by Metro.			X	None	There were no fund exchanges in FY 2018/19.
12.	A separate account was established for capital reserve funds and capital reserve was approved by Metro.	X			None	
13.	Recreational transit form was submitted on time.			X	None	There was no recreational transit in FY 2018/19.

COMPLIANCE MATRIX Year Ended June 30, 2019 (Continued)

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
C. Me	easure M Local Return Fund					
1.	Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	X			None	
2.	Funds were used to augment, not supplant existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a fund shortfall.	X			None	
3.	Signed Assurances and Understandings was on file.	X			None	
4.	Separate Measure M Local Return Account was established.	X			None	
5.	Revenue received including allocations, project generated revenues and interest income was properly credited to the Measure M Local Return Account.	X			None	
6.	Funds were expended with Metro's approval.	X			None	
7.	Expenditure Plan (Form One) was submitted on time.	X			None	
8.	Expenditure Report (Form Two) was submitted on time.	X			None	
9.	Timely use of funds.	X			None	
10.	Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap.			X	None	There were no administrative expenditures in FY 2018/19.
11.	Fund exchanges were approved by Metro.			X	None	There were no fund exchanges in FY 2018/19.
12.	A separate account was established for capital reserve funds and capital reserve was approved by Metro.	X			None	
13.	Recreational transit form was submitted timely.			X	None	There was no recreational transit in FY 2018/19.

COMPLIANCE MATRIX Year Ended June 30, 2019 (Continued)

	Compliance Requirement	In C	Complia	ance	Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
D. 7	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 RECOMMENDATIONS June 30, 2019

PCLRF - Finding No. 2019-001

Finding	Entity
Compliance Requirement	According to Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Guidelines Section IV. E. Timey Use of Funds, "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	The City's fiscal year 2016 ending fund balance in the amount of \$178,474 was not fully expended within 3 years as of June 30, 2019 and it was not reserved for capital projects as required by the Prop C Local Return Guidelines. However, on October 30, 2019, LACMTA granted the City an extension on the usage of lapsed funds until June 30, 2020.
Cause	The City designed a project last fiscal year with the intent to use last year's funding along with at least two additional years' allocation in order to have a project with a cost competitive magnitude of scale. Unfortunately, with a change in City Council majority in the last election, the City's Capital Improvement Program was placed on hold pending additional review by the new City Council. The City Council subsequently authorized proceeding with the proposed project on July 23, 2019.
Effect	Untimely review of the funding status from the prior year allocation could result in losing the funding.
Recommendation	In order to avoid future lapsed funds, we recommend that the City establish a procedure where the Finance staff review the estimated annual fund balance so that a capital reserve account can be established when warranted
Management's Response	Staff was monitoring the Prop C fund balance and pro-actively informed LACMTA of the City changes that had occurred throughout the year and the related project would not begin until first quarter of FY19/20. The Director of Community Planning & Public Works and the Finance Director will continue to schedule meetings and monitor funding to ensure all funds are appropriately expended or reserved for capital projects according to the Prop A and Prop C Local Return Guidelines.
Finding Corrected During the Audit	On October 30, 2019, LACMTA granted the City an extension on the usage of lapsed funds until June 30, 2020.



PROPOSITION A, PROPOSITION C, MEASURE R, MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUNDS AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND EXIT CONFERENCE

June 30, 2019

An exit conference was held on November 18, 2019 with the City of Palos Verdes Estates. Those in attendance were:

Simpson & Simpson Representative:

Terry Bian, Senior Auditor

City's Representative:

Sharon Del Rosario, Finance Director

Matters Discussed:

Results of the audit disclosed no significant control deficiencies and one (1) non-compliance issue with Metro Guidelines.

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

Sharon Del Rosario, Finance Director

Simpson & Simpson, LLP 633 West 5th Street, Suite 3320 Los Angeles, CA 90071

RE: CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND, PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND, MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND, MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2019 AND 2018

I have received the annual financial report of the Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, Measure M Local Return Fund and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018 for the City of Palos Verdes Estates and agree with the contents of the report except as indicated below:

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

Very truly y	ours,	
	Name	
	Title	
	Date	