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

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Rolling Hills 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 Rolling Hill 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 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 audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.



#### **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 Rolling Hills 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 Rolling Hills 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 13, 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.

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Los Angeles, California November 13, 2019

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND BALANCE SHEET June 30

		2019			2018		
ASSETS							
Cash and inv	vestments	\$	37,844	\$	36,088		
Interest recei	ivable		75		62		
	Total assets	\$	37,919	\$	36,150		
LIABILITIE	S AND FUND BALANCE						
Liabilities							
Accounts pay	yable	\$	199	\$	227		
	Total liabilities		199		227		
Fund Balan	ce						
Restricted			37,720		35,923		
	Total fund balance		37,720		35,923		
	Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	37,919	_ \$	36,150		

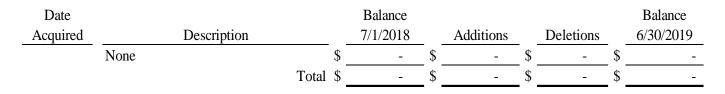
# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

		2019	2018
REVENUES			
Proposition A	\$	161,793	\$ 149,748
Interest income		271	 155
Total revenues	_	162,064	 149,903
EXPENDITURES			
Various projects		160,267	153,484
Total expenditures	-	160,267	 153,484
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		1,797	(3,581)
Fund balance at beginning of year	_	35,923	 39,504
Fund balance at end of year	\$	37,720	\$ 35,923

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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)

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			Variance				
Project		Metro			Favorable	2018	
Code	Project Name	Budget		Actual	(Unfavorable)	Actual	
110-11	Palos Verdes Transit/Dial-A-Ride \$	142,955	\$	142,955 \$	- \$	131,938	
480-18	Administration	27,521		17,312	10,209	21,546	
	Total expenditures \$	170,476	\$	160,267 \$	<u> </u>	153,484	

# *CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES* PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS June 30, 2019



#### CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND BALANCE SHEET June 30

2019		2019		2018
ASSETS				
Cash and investments	\$	64,577	\$	104,374
Interest receivable		168		640
Due from other agency (Note 10)		65,000	_	-
Total assets	\$	129,745	_ \$	105,014
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	75,000
Total liabilities		-		75,000
Fund Balance				
Restricted		129,745		30,014
Total fund balance		129,745		30,014
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	129,745	\$	105,014

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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	\$	134,203	\$	124,265
Interest income	_	528	_	2,298
Total revenues	-	134,731	-	126,563
EXPENDITURES				
Various projects	_	100,000	-	351,098
Total expenditures	-	100,000		351,098
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures		34,731		(224,535)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b> Transfer-in from City of Rolling Hills (Note 10)	-	65,000	-	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures and other financing sources		99,731		(224,535)
Fund balance at beginning of year	-	30,014	-	254,549
Fund balance at end of year	\$	129,745	\$	30,014

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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
440-01	Street Maintenance	\$	100,000	\$	100,000	\$	-	\$	-
440-03	Street Resurfacing		-		-		-		321,098
470-01	Pavement Management System Update	_	-		-	_	-	_	30,000
	Total expenditures	\$	100,000	\$	100,000	\$		\$	351,098

# *CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES* PROPOSITION C 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 \$	-	\$_	-	\$ 	\$ 

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND BALANCE SHEET June 30

		2018	
ASSETS			
Cash and investments	\$	42,016	\$ 240,436
Accounts receivables		106	 577
Total assets	\$	42,122	\$ 241,013
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$ 200,000
Total liabilities		-	 200,000
Fund Balance			
Restricted		42,122	 41,013
Total fund balance		42,122	 41,013
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	42,122	\$ 241,013

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

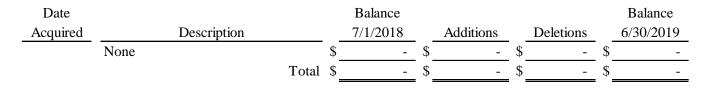
	2019		2018
REVENUES			
Measure R	\$ 100,681	\$	94,383
Interest income	 428		1,714
Total revenues	 101,109		96,097
EXPENDITURES			
Various Projects	100,000		200,000
Total expenditures	 100,000		200,000
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,109		(103,903)
Fund balance at beginning of year	 41,013	<u> </u>	144,916
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 42,122	\$	41,013

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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)

		_				
Project			Metro		Favorable	2018
Code	Project Name		Budget	 Actual	(Unfavorable)	Actual
1.05	Street Repairs and Maintenance	\$	100,000	\$ 100,000	\$\$	5 200,000
		Total expenditures \$	100,000	\$ 100,000	\$\$	5 200,000

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

June 30, 2019



#### CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND BALANCE SHEET June 30

	2019	2018
ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$ -	\$ 84,492
Interest receivables	 -	 188
Total assets	\$ -	\$ 84,680
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Due to General Fund	\$ 35,180	\$ -
Total liabilities	 35,180	 -
Fund Balance		
Restricted	 (35,180)	 84,680
Total fund balance	 (35,180)	 84,680
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 	\$ 84,680

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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	\$ 113,342	\$ 84,310
Interest income	 442	 370
Total revenues	 113,784	 84,680
EXPENDITURES		
Various projects	233,644	-
Total expenditures	 233,644	 -
(Deficiency) excess of revenues (under) over expenditures	(119,860)	84,680
Fund balance at beginning of year	 84,680	 
Fund balance at end of year	\$ (35,180)	\$ 84,680

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MEASURE M 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 Favorable Project Metro 2018 Code Project Name Budget (Unfavorable) Actual Actual 1.05 Street Repair and Maintenance \$ 233,644 \$ 233,644 \$ - \$ -233,644 \$ 233,644 \$ - \$ Total expenditures \$ -

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES MEASURE M 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	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -

# **CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES** TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND (PURSUANT TO PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 99234)

# BALANCE SHEET

June 30

	2	.019	2018
ASSETS			
Due from Metro	\$	- \$	7,040
Total assets	\$	- \$	7,040
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	- \$	7,040
Total liabilities			7,040
Fund Balance			
Restricted		-	-
Total fund balance			-
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	\$	7,040

# **CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES** 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	\$	-	\$	7,040
Total revenues	-	-	-	7,040
EXPENDITURES				
Various projects	-	-	-	7,040
Total expenditures	-	-	-	7,040
Excess of revenues under expenditures		-		-
Fund balance at beginning of year	-		-	
Fund balance at end of year	\$ _		\$	

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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	Expendi	tures	Allocations	Status
Local Allocations						
None	\$	6	\$	- \$	-	
	Total \$	6 -	\$	-		
Fund balance at beginning of year					-	
Fund balance at end of year				\$	-	

# **CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES** 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.

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.

#### **CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES** 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 investment 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.

#### **CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES** 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.

#### CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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	\$ -	\$ 1,652
FY 2014-15 allocation	-	5,388
Total payment requested	\$ -	\$ 7,040

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

In accordance with Transportation Development Act Article 3 (SB 821) 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 2015-16 allocation	\$ 5,230	\$ 5,230
FY 2016-17 allocation	5,463	5,463
FY 2017-18 allocation	5,243	5,243
FY 2018-19 allocation	5,477	-
Available reserve balance	\$ 21,413	\$ 15,936

#### NOTE 10 – PROPOSITION C FUND TRANSFER

On May 13, 2019, the City Council of Rolling Hills authorized the gifting of its uncommitted Proposition C Local Return funds to the City of Rolling Hills Estates. Subsequent to the year ended June 30, 2019, the City of Rolling Hills transferred \$65,000 of Proposition C Local Return funds to the City to assist with street maintenance on shared roadways. The City received the fund on July 17, 2019.

#### NOTE 11 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City has evaluated events or transactions that occurred subsequent to June 30, 2019 through November 13, 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.





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### 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 Rolling Hills 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 Rolling Hills 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 13, 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.

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Los Angeles, California November 13, 2019

**COMPLIANCE SECTION** 



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# Independent Auditor's Report On Compliance

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

#### **Report on Compliance**

We have audited the compliance of the City of Rolling Hills 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.



#### **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 is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, 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.

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Los Angeles, California November 13, 2019

#### CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES COMPLIANCE MATRIX

Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Compliance Requirement		Compli	ance	Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
A. Pı	coposition A and Proposition C Local Return Fund	S				
1.	Uses the State Controller's Uniform System of Accounts and Records.	Х			None	
2.	Timely use of funds.	Х			None	
3.	Funds expended were approved and have not been substituted for property tax.	Х			None	
4.	Expenditures that exceeded 25% of approved project budget have approved amended Project Description Form (Form A).	Х			None	
5.	Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap of the total annual Local Return Expenditures.	Х			None	
6.	All on-going and carryover projects were reported in Form B.	Х			None	
7.	Annual Project Summary Report (Form B) was submitted on time.	Х			None	
8.	Annual Expenditure Report (Form C) was submitted on time.	Х			None	
9.	Cash or cash equivalents are maintained.	Х			None	
10.	Accounting procedures, record keeping, and documentation are adequate.	Х			None	
11.	Pavement Management System (PMS) is in place and being used for Street Maintenance or Improvement Projects Expenditures.	Х			None	
12.	Local Return Account is credited for reimbursable expenditures.	Х			None	
13.	Self-Certification was completed and submitted for Intelligent Transportation Systems projects or elements.			X	None	There was no Intelligent Transportation Systems projects or elements in FY2018/19
14.	Assurances and Understandings form was on file.	Х			None	
15.	Recreational transit form was submitted on time.			X	None	There was no recreationa transit in FY2018/19

#### CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES COMPLIANCE MATRIX Year Ended June 30, 2019 (Continued)

	Compliance Requirement		Compli		Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.	
		Yes	No	N/A			
<b>B.</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 FY2018/19	
11.	Fund exchanges were approved by Metro.			X	None	There were no fund exchanges in FY2018/19	
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 FY2018/19	

#### CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES COMPLIANCE MATRIX Year Ended June 30, 2019 (Continued)

	<b>Compliance Requirement</b>		Compli	ance	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.	Х			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.	Х			None	
4.	Separate Measure M Local Return Account was established.	Х			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.	Х			None	
7.	Expenditure Plan (Form One) was submitted on time.	Х			None	
8.	Expenditure Report (Form Two) was submitted on time.	Х			None	
9.	Timely use of funds.	Х			None	
10.	Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap.			Х	None	There were no administrative expenditures in FY2018/19
11.	Fund exchanges were approved by Metro.			Х	None	There were no fund exchanges in FY2018/19
12.	A separate account was established for capital reserve funds and capital reserve was approved by Metro.	Х			None	
13.	Recreational transit form was submitted timely.			X	None	There was no recreational transit in FY2018/19

## CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES COMPLIANCE MATRIX Year Ended June 30, 2019 (Continued)

	<b>Compliance Requirement</b>	In Compliance		( mesnoned		In Compliance Questioned		If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A				
<b>D.</b> 7	<b>Fransportation Development Act Article 3 Fund</b>							
1.	Timely use of funds.	X			None			
2.	Expenditures were incurred for activities relating to pedestrian and bicycle facilities and amenities.			X	None	There were no expenditures in FY2018/19		

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS June 30, 2019

No findings were noted.

**EXIT CONFERENCE** 

# CITY OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES 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 13, 2019 with the City of Rolling Hills Estates. Those in attendance were:

#### Simpson & Simpson Representative:

Austine Cho, Audit Senior

City's Representative:

Mike Whitehead, Administrative Services Director and City Treasurer

#### Matters Discussed:

Results of the audit disclosed no significant control deficiencies and no 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:

Mike Whitehead, Administrative Services Director and City Treasurer

Simpson & Simpson, LLP 633 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 3320 Los Angeles, CA 90071

RE: CITY OF ROLLING HILLS 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 Rolling Hills Estates and agree with the contents of the report except as indicated below:

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

Very truly yours,

Name

Title

Date