

City of South Gate
Annual Financial Report of its

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

As of and for the Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 with Independent Auditor's Report





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

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of South Gate, 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, the Proposition C Local Return Fund, the Measure R Local Return Fund, the Measure M Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds) of the City of South Gate, California (the City) which comprise the Funds' balance sheets as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the related statements of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the years 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.

#### 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 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 City'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 City'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, the Measure M Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund of the City of South Gate, California, as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in financial position for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matter**

As discussed in Note 12, the fiscal year 2020 financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund, the Proposition C Local Return Fund, the Measure R Local Return Fund and the Measure M Local Return Fund have been restated to recognize additional interest income allocated to these funds in fiscal year 2020. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

## **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, the Measure M Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund of the City of South Gate, California, and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the City as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in its financial position for the years 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

Varguer & Company LLP

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 9, 2021 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 solely 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 the effectiveness of the City's 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.

Glendale, California December 9, 2021

			June 30			
				(as restated)		
			2021		2020	
	ASSETS					
Cash and investments		\$	4,153,736	\$	3,282,734	
Due from Metro			-		152,556	
Interest receivable			4,135		12,994	
Prepaid expense			32,716		32,716	
	Total assets	\$	4,190,587	\$	3,481,000	
LIABILITIES Liabilities	AND FUND BALANCE					
Accounts payable		\$	631,452	\$	146,932	
Accrued payroll		Ψ	3,844	Ψ	2,508	
, too, and pay, on	Total liabilities	_	635,296		149,440	
Fund balance						
Restricted		_	3,555,291		3,331,560	
	Total fund balance		3,555,291		3,331,560	
	Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	4,190,587	\$	3,481,000	

		Years ended June 30			
	-		(as restated)		
	_	2021	2020		
Revenues					
Proposition A	\$	1,947,164 \$	1,904,071		
Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Program Grant (Note 8)		158,735	152,556		
Investment income		4,349	100,126		
Project generated revenues (Note 9)		66,562	147,024		
Vehicle lease revenues (Note 10)	_	37,500	62,500		
Total reven	ues	2,214,310	2,366,277		
Expenditures			4 0 4 0 0 0 0		
Various projects	-	1,990,579	1,940,926		
Total expenditu	ıres	1,990,579	1,940,926		
Excess of revenues over expenditures		223,731	425,351		
Fund balance at beginning of year		3,331,560	2,906,209		
Fund balance at end of year	\$	3,555,291 \$	3,331,560		

# City of South Gate Proposition A Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and Metro Approved Project Budget Year ended June 30, 2021 (With Comparative Actuals for 2020)

	_	2021						
Project Code	Project Name	Metro Budget		Actual		Variance Positive (Negative)	_	2020 Actual
105	Fixed Route Bus Service to							
	Local Destinations \$	584,141	\$	584,141	\$	-	\$	686,594
108	Phone-A-Ride	526,883		526,884		(1)		750,038
120	MTA Bus Pass Sales	848		1,268		(420) a		47,127
155	Recreation Excursions	-		-		-		36,788
210	Fixed Route Bus Purchase	500,000		447,556		52,444		-
470	Orange Line (JPA) Invoice	32,716		32,716		-		32,716
610	Administration	398,014		398,014				387,663
	Total expenditures \$	2,042,602	\$	1,990,579	\$	52,023	\$	1,940,926

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The actual variance after considering the other funding sources is calculated as follows:

Metro Budget	\$	848
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,268	
Less: Bus Pass Sale	 (1,010)	
PALRF Expenditures	_	258
Actual Variance Positive (Negative)	\$	590

Date Acquired	Description	Balance July 1, 2020	_	Additions	Deletions		Balance June 30, 2021
1989	1 Bus stop pad - California \$	8,656	\$	- \$	8,656	* \$	-
1989	4 Bus stop pads - Santa Ana	34,627		-	34,627	*	-
1989	9 Bus stop pads - Otis	77,913		-	77,913	*	-
1989	4 Bus stop pads - Firestone	34,627		-	34,627	*	-
1989	1 Bus stop pad - Santa Fe	8,656		-	8,656	*	-
1989	8 Bus stop pads - Truba	69,255		-	69,255	*	-
1989	1 Bus stop pad - Tweedy	8,656		-	8,656	*	-
2021	3 Buses	_		447,556	-		447,556
	Total \$	242,390	\$	447,556 \$	242,390	\$	447,556

<sup>\*</sup> The City conducted a review and physical inventory count of the City's capital assets during FY 2021. These assets were deleted due to obsolescence.

		June 30			
	_	(as resta			
		2021		2020	
ASSETS	_			_	
Cash and investments	\$	5,812,878	\$	4,718,646	
Interest receivable		5,952		18,055	
Due from Gateway Council of Governments		25,000		-	
Total	assets \$ _	5,843,830	\$	4,736,701	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$_	1,625	\$_		
Total lia	bilities	1,625	_	-	
Fund balance		5.040.005		4 700 704	
Restricted	_	5,842,205		4,736,701	
Total fund b	alance _	5,842,205		4,736,701	
Total liabilities and fund b	alance \$	5,843,830	\$	4,736,701	

		Years ended June 30			
	_		(as restated)		
	_	2021	2020		
Revenues					
Proposition C	\$	1,615,103 \$	1,579,431		
Investment income	_	8,066	138,669		
	Total revenues _	1,623,169	1,718,100		
Expenditures Various projects	_	517,665	874,933		
	Total expenditures _	517,665	874,933		
Excess of revenues over expenditures		1,105,504	843,167		
Fund balance at beginning of year		4,736,701	3,893,534		
Fund balance at end of year	 \$	5,842,205 \$	4,736,701		

# City of South Gate Proposition C Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and Metro Approved Project Budget Year ended June 30, 2021 (With Comparative Actuals for 2020)

		2021					
Project Code	Project Name	Metro Budget	Actual		Variance Positive (Negative)	_	2020 Actual
170	Trash Receptacles at Bus Stop \$	43,000	\$ 40,248	3 \$	2,752	\$	37,832
303	Tweedy Boulevard Traffic Signal Synchronization						
	Project	500,000	13,043	3	486,957		6,139
390	Citywide Speed Survey (652-RPT)	-		-	-		-
470	Gateway Cities Council of Government Invoice	17,640	17,640	)	-		10,000
620	Administration	80,000	59,247	7	20,753		128,577
705	Thermoplastic Striping of Streets Citywide (654-ST)	250,000	23	1	249,769		286
710	Firestone Boulevard over Los Angeles River						
	Bridge Widening, Phase IV	205,000	7,76	1	197,239		7,405
710	Firestone Boulevard Capacity Improvements	3,500,000	10,687	7	3,489,313		562,944
715	Street Improvements on Garfield and Imperial						
	Highway	1,753,206	97,988	3	1,655,218		69,884
715	HSIP Cycle 5, Firestone Boulevard and Otis						
	Street improvements and Imperial Highway						
	Center Median	1,020,000	206,138	3	813,862		25,382
715	Firestone Boulevard Bridge Modifications at						
	Rio Hondo Channel	259,000		-	259,000		1,484
765	Pavement Management System Report (651- RPT)	50,000	39,682	2	10,318		-
780	I-710 Corridor Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	30,000	25,000	)	5,000		25,000
781	Firestone Blvd Capacity	10,000			10,000	_	
	Total expenditures \$	7,717,846	\$ 517,665	<u>     \$  </u>	7,200,181	\$_	874,933

City of South Gate Proposition C Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Capital Assets Year ended June 30, 2021

Date Acquired		Description		Balance July 1, 2020	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2021
N/A	None		\$	- (	-	\$\$	-
			Total \$	<del>-</del> ;	5 -	\$ - \$	-

		June 30			
	_			(as restated)	
		2021		2020	
	ASSETS				
Cash and investments	\$	5,004,157	\$	6,612,212	
Due from other agencies		3,789		3,789	
Interest receivable		6,402		24,771	
	Total assets \$ _	5,014,348	\$	6,640,772	
LIABILITIES	AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	115,670	\$	13,982	
Accrued payroll		36,736		4,894	
Use tax payable		386		-	
	Total liabilities	152,792	_	18,876	
Fund balance					
Restricted		4,861,556		6,621,896	
1 COLLIOCOU	Total fund balance	4,861,556	-	6,621,896	
	Total liabilities and fund balance \$	5,014,348	\$	6,640,772	

			Years ended	I June 30
		-	2021	(as restated) 2020
Revenues		-		
Measure R		\$	1,213,006 \$	1,182,879
Investment income (loss)		_	(6,166)	191,230
	Total revenues	_	1,206,840	1,374,109
Expenditures Expenditures	Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	2,967,180 2,967,180	471,437 471,437
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over e	xpenditures		(1,760,340)	902,672
Fund balance at beginning of year		_	6,621,896	5,719,224
Fund balance at end of year		\$	4,861,556_\$	6,621,896

# City of South Gate Measure R Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and Metro Approved Project Budget Year ended June 30, 2021 (With Comparative Actuals for 2020)

			2021		
Project Code	Project Name	Metro Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	2020 Actual
302	Replacement of Damaged Traffic Signal				
	Poles at the Intersection	120,000 \$	341 \$	119,659 \$	-
380	Traffic Study at 4 Intersections Along				
	Firestone Blvd	21,000	-	21,000	-
630	Administrative Expense	9,865	294,455	(284,590)	9,793
705	Gardendale Pavement Rehabilitation from				
	Garfield Avenue to East City	128,681	-	128,681	-
705	Firestone Plaza Striping	30,000	1,740	28,260	-
705	Citywide Roadway Maintenance by City	3,480,977	2,583,221	897,756	423,383
720	Long Beach Boulevard Improvements	1,301,090	87,423	1,213,667	35,361
780	San Gabriel Ave Safety Study	30,000	-	30,000	-
805	SR2S Cycle 10 - New Pedestrian Signals				
	and Crosswalks at Otis/Firestone		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	2,900
	Total expenditures S	5,121,613 \$	2,967,180 \$	2,154,433 \$	471,437

City of South Gate Measure R Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Capital Assets Year ended June 30, 2021

Date Acquired		Description	Balance July 1, ription 2020 Additions Deletions						
N/A	None		Total S	\$\$ \$ - 9	<u> </u>	\$ <u>-</u> \$ \$ -\$	-		

		June 30		
				(as restated)
		2021		2020
	ASSETS			
Cash and investments	\$	2,478,839	\$	1,576,192
Interest receivable		2,332		4,885
	Total assets \$	2,481,171	\$	1,581,077
	<del>-</del>			
LIABILITIES	S AND FUND BALANCE			
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	36,065	\$	52,287
Accrued payroll		390		761
	Total liabilities	36,455		53,048
				_
Fund balance				
Restricted		2,444,716		1,528,029
	Total fund balance	2,444,716		1,528,029
	Total liabilities and fund balance \$	2,481,171	\$	1,581,077

		Years ended	d June 30
	_		(as restated)
	_	2021	2020
Revenues			
Measure M	\$	1,374,380 \$	1,330,351
Investment income		9,222	37,393
	Total revenues	1,383,602	1,367,744
<b>Expenditures</b> Various projects	Total expenditures	466,915 466,915	531,369 531,369
	· <u> </u>		<u> </u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures		916,687	836,375
Fund balance at beginning of year		1,528,029	691,654
Fund balance at end of year	\$	2,444,716 \$	1,528,029

# City of South Gate Measure M Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and Metro Approved Project Budget Year ended June 30, 2021 (With Comparative Actuals for 2020)

			2021		
Project Code	Project Name	Metro Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	2020 Actual
261	Installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations \$	60,000	\$ - \$	60,000 \$	-
705	Citywide Roadway Maintenance by City Force	497,048	308,618	188,430	226,394
710	Firestone Boulevard Regional Corridor Capacity Enhancement Project	2,000,000	_	2,000,000	162,909
720	Hildreth Avenue Traffic Mitigations Project	-	-	-	102,062
720	Paramount at Somerset Intersection Improvements Project	-	-	-	27,868
720	Curb Ramp Modifications for ADA Compliance	_	_	_	9,560
725	Garfield Avenue Complete Streets Project	1,037,060	158,297	878,763	2,576
	Total expenditures \$	3,594,108	\$ 466,915 \$	3,127,193 \$	531,369

City of South Gate Measure M Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Capital Assets Year ended June 30, 2021

Date Acquired		Balance June 30, 2021					
Acquired		Description		2020	Additions	<u>Deletions</u>	2021
N/A	None		\$		- }	<u>-</u> \$_	-
			Total \$	\$	· {	S\$_	-

			Jui	ne 3	0
			2021		2020
	ASSETS				
Cash		\$_	-	\$_	
	Total assets	\$_	-	\$_	
LIABILITII Liabilities Accounts payable	ES AND FUND BALANCE Total liabilities	\$		\$ <u> </u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balance					
Restricted			-	_	
	Total fund balance	_	-	_	
	Total liabilities and fund balance	\$_	-	\$_	_

		Years end	ed June 30
Revenues Intergovernmental Allocations:		2021	2020
Article 3	\$ Total revenues	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Expenditures Construction/Maintenance	Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	_		
Fund balance at end of year	\$		<u> </u>

#### NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

# **Fund Accounting**

The operations of the Proposition A Local Return Fund (PALRF), the Proposition C Local Return Fund (PCLRF), the Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF), the Measure M Local Return Fund (MMLRF) and the 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  $\frac{1}{2}$  cent Proposition A and  $\frac{1}{2}$  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 the county-wide ½ cent Measure R 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 the county-wide ½ cent Measure M 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, MMLRF 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 based on budgets approved by Metro and 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, 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 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for detailed disclosures regarding the City's investments policy and fair value measurement disclosures.

### **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, MMLRF and TDAA3F report the following fund balance classification as of June 30, 2021 and 2020:

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 is restricted for projects approved by Metro.

Information regarding the fund balance reporting policy adopted by the City is described in the City's ACFR.

#### 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 do not purport to, and do not present fairly the City's financial position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in its financial position for the years 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.

Proposition A and Proposition C LR funds must be expended within three years of the last day of the fiscal year in which funds were originally allocated.

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.

Measure R LR funds must be expended within five years of the first day of the fiscal year in which funds were originally allocated or received.

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

Measure M was approved by the voters of Los Angeles County on November 8, 2016 to improve transportation and ease traffic congestion consistent with the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan Ordinance approved by the Metro Board of Directors on June 23, 2016. The Measure M Ordinance specifies that LR funds be used exclusively for transportation purposes.

### NOTE 5 MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Measure M LR funds must be expended within five years of the first day of the fiscal year in which funds were originally allocated or received.

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 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 ACFR for a full description of risks relating to cash and investments.

#### NOTE 8 PROPOSITION A DISCRETIONARY INCENTIVE PROGRAM GRANT

The Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Program grant represents additional funds received from Metro for participating in the Voluntary NTD Program. The amounts received for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 consisted of the following:

Agreement	Program	MOU	_	Amount Received		
Date	Year	Amount		2021		2020
07/01/2019	FY2016/17	\$ 152,556	\$	-	\$	152,556
05/01/2020	FY2017/18	158,735	_	158,735		
			\$	158,735	\$	152,556

The Proposition A Discretionary Incentive Program grants were recorded under PALRF.

#### NOTE 9 PROJECT GENERATED REVENUES

Project generated revenues under PALRF for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 consisted of the following:

	 2021	 2020
Fare box revenue	\$ 56,947	\$ 101,022
Bus pass sales	1,010	36,221
Others	8,605	9,781
	\$ 66,562	\$ 147,024

#### NOTE 10 VEHICLE LEASE REVENUES – PALRF

The City entered into an agreement with Oldtimers Foundation (Oldtimers) to lease two equipped transit buses for the fixed route transit services (MOU.JARCSGATE12). The buses will be operated, maintained and stored by Oldtimers and the City is compensated for the use of the buses. For the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, the City received \$37,500 and \$62,500, respectively, in vehicle lease revenues.

# NOTE 11 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND REVENUE RESERVE

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 Metro. As of June 30, 2021 and 2020, the City has funds on reserve as follows:

	2021	2020
FY 2019/20 reserve	\$ 70,864	\$ 70,864
FY 2020/21 allocation	53,936	-
Total reserve	\$ 124,800	\$ 70,864

2024

2020

For FY 2020/21, any TDA Article 3 funds left on reserve for FY 2016/17 or prior, are subject to lapse if not claimed by the City by June 30, 2021. There were no funds that lapsed in FY 2020/21.

# NOTE 12 RESTATEMENT OF 2020 FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2020 financial statements were restated to recognize additional interest income on the following funds:

PALRF							
			Balance, as previously reported		Adjustment	-	Balance, as adjusted
PCLRF	Cash and investments Fund balance Interest income	\$	3,261,271 3,310,097 78,663	\$	21,463 21,463 21,463	\$	3,282,734 3,331,560 100,126
<u>r CLNI</u>			Balance, as previously reported	•	Adjustment	-	Balance, as adjusted
	Cash and investments Fund balance Interest income	\$	4,689,095 4,707,150 109,118	\$	29,551 29,551 29,551	\$	4,718,646 4,736,701 138,669
MRLRF							
			Balance, as previously reported	_	Adjustment	;	Balance, as adjusted
	Cash and investments Fund balance Interest income	\$	6,571,400 6,581,084 150,418	\$	40,812 40,812 40,812	\$	6,612,212 6,621,896 191,230
MMLRF			Balance, as previously		A alice at two a set		Balance,
		•	reported	-	Adjustment		as adjusted
	Cash and investments Fund balance Interest income	\$	1,568,142 1,519,979 29,343	\$	8,050 8,050 8,050	\$	1,576,192 1,528,029 37,393

#### NOTE 13 IMPACT OF CORONAVIRUS

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern" and on March 10, 2020, declared it to be a pandemic. The coronavirus and actions taken to mitigate it have had and are expected to continue to have an adverse impact on the economies and financial markets of many countries, including the United States.

It is unknown how long these conditions will last and what the complete financial effect will be to businesses and other affected organizations, including local governmental entities. However, the City's management believes that the financial impact, if any, will not materially affect the June 30, 2021 funds financial statements.

#### NOTE 14 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City has evaluated events subsequent to June 30, 2021 to assess the need for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Such events were evaluated through December 9, 2021, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Based upon this evaluation, it was determined that no subsequent events occurred that require recognition or additional disclosure in the financial statements.





OFFICE LOCATIONS: Los Angeles Sacramento San Diego

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 South Gate, 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, the Measure M Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds) of the City of South Gate, California (the City) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 9, 2021.

### **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) as a basis for designing 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 City'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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify a deficiency in internal control described in the Schedule of Findings on Internal Control over Financial Reporting as Finding No. FS 2020-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.





### The City's Response to the Finding

The City's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. The City's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, and accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

# **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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City'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 City's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

eg & Company LLP

Glendale, California December 9, 2021

### Finding No. FS 2021-001: Year-end Closing Process

#### Criteria

Section V of the Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Guidelines, Section VII of the Measure R Local Return Guidelines and Section XXV of the Measure M Local Return Guidelines states that, "It is the jurisdictions' responsibility to maintain proper accounting records and documentation to facilitate the performance of the audit as prescribed in these Guidelines."

#### Condition

This year's closing process was delayed because some important procedures were not performed on time. This includes reconciliation of major balance sheet accounts.

#### Cause and Effect

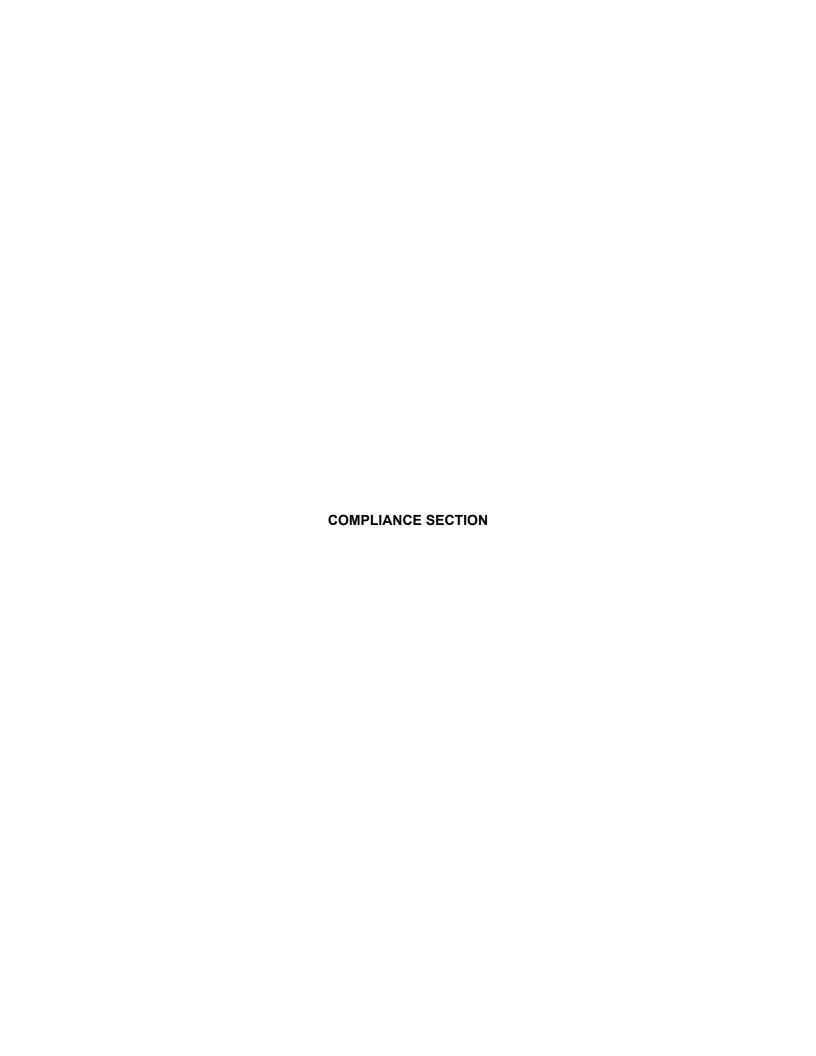
The City lost several key employees in the finance and accounting department during the fiscal year 2020 and 2021. As such, there was a delay in the closing of the City's books for the fiscal year 2021. These conditions resulted in delays in producing closing entries, trial balances, schedules, reconciliations, account analysis, and other financial reports needed by management and the auditors.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that the City of South Gate establish and document proper closing and reconciliation procedures and assign responsibility for completing the procedures to specific City personnel. The closing procedures should be documented in a checklist that indicates who will perform each procedure and when completion of each procedure is due and is accomplished. The timing of specific procedures could be coordinated with the timing of management's or the auditor's need for the information. These reconciliations will provide assurance that financial statements are meaningful and accurate.

### Views of Responsible Officials

Due to staff turnover and various other reasons such as the pandemic, the City was short on staff to assist in the yearend closing process. The City is in the process of recruiting for a vacant position, Senior Accountant, which has critical responsibilities in the year-end closing process. The City has a year-end closing checklist that indicates who will perform each procedure. Once the position is filled, the City will be able to accomplish the closing in accordance with the timing of the audit.







OFFICE LOCATIONS: Los Angeles Sacramento

> San Diego Manila

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

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

### **Report on Compliance**

We have audited the City of South Gate, California's (the City) compliance 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 Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds (collectively, the Guidelines) for the year ended June 30, 2021.

#### 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 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, 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**

In our opinion, the City of South Gate, California complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements of the Guidelines for the year ended June 30, 2021.





#### **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City's internal control over compliance to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

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

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

Glendale, California December 9, 2021

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	Compliance Benefit and		omplia	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					
	<ol> <li>Uses the State Controller's</li> </ol>					
	Uniform System of Accounts and					
	Records or has established a					
	separate Proposition A and					
	Proposition C Local Transit					
	Assistance Account for Local					
	Return purposes.	Χ				
	2. Revenues received including					
	allocations, project generated					
	revenues and interest income was					
	properly credited to the Proposition					
	A and/or Proposition C Local	· ·				
	Return Account.	Х				
	3. Funds were expended with Metro's					
	approval and were not substituted	· ·				
	for property tax.	X				
	4. Timely use of funds.	X				
	5. Administrative expenses are within	· ·				
	the 20% cap.	Х				
	6. Expenditures that exceeded 25%					
	of approved project budget have					
	approved amended Project					
	Description Form (Form A) or electronic equivalent.			Х		
	Annual Project Update Report					
	(Form B) or electronic equivalent					
	was submitted on time.	Х				
	Annual Expenditure Report (Form					
	C) or electronic equivalent was					
	submitted on time.	Х				
	Pavement Management System					
	(PMS) is in place and being used					
	for Street Maintenance or					
	Improvement Projects					
	Expenditures.	Х				
	10. Local Return Account is credited					
	for reimbursable expenditures.	Х				
	11. Where Proposition A funds were					
	given, loaned or exchanged by one					
	jurisdiction to another, the					
	receiving jurisdiction has credited					
	its Local Return Account with the					
L	funds received.			Χ		
	12. Self-Certification was completed					
	and submitted for Intelligent					
1	Transportation Systems projects					
	and elements.			Χ		

Compliance Beguirements		In C	omplia	ance	Questioned	If no, provide details and
	Compliance Requirements		No	N/A	Costs	management response.
A.	Proposition A and Proposition C Local					
	Return Funds					
	13. A separate account was					
	established for Capital reserve					
	funds, Capital reserve was					
	approved by Metro and current					
	status is reported in the Annual					
	Project Update (Form B) or					
	electronic equivalent.			X		
	14. Recreational transit form was					
	submitted on time.			X		
	15. Fund exchanges (trades, loans, or					
	gifts) were approved by Metro.			X		
	16. Proposition C Local Return Funds					
	were used to augment, not					
	supplant existing local revenues					
	being used for road improvement					
	purposes.	X				
	17. All on-going and carryover projects					
	were reported on Form B or					
	electronic equivalent.	X				
	18. Cash or cash equivalents are					
	maintained.	X				
	19. Accounting procedures, record					
	keeping, and documentation are					
	adequate.	Χ				

		Compliance Requirements		omplia		Questioned	If no, provide details and
			Yes	No	N/A	Costs	management response.
В.		asure R Local Return Fund					
	1.	Funds were expended for	· ·				
		transportation purposes.	Х				
	2.	Separate Measure R Local Return	V				
-		Account was established.	Х				
	3.	Revenues received including					
		allocations, project generated					
		revenues and interest income was properly credited to the Measure R					
			_				
	1	Local Return Account.	X				
	4.	Funds were expended with Metro's	Х				
	5.	approval.  Funds were not substituted for					
	5.	property tax and are in compliance					
		with the Maintenance of Effort.	Х				
	6.	Timely use of funds.	X				
		Administrative expenses are within					
	٧.	the 20% cap.	Х				
	8.	Expenditure Plan (Form One or					
	0.	electronic equivalent) was					
		submitted timely.	Х				
	9.	Annual Expenditure Report (Form					
	٥.	Two or electronic equivalent) was					
		submitted timely.	Х				
	10.	Where funds expended were					
		reimbursable by other grants or					
		fund sources, the reimbursement					
		was credited to the Local Return					
		Account upon receipt of the					
		reimbursement.			Х		
	11.	Where Measure R funds were					
		given, loaned or exchanged by one					
		jurisdiction to another, the					
		receiving jurisdiction has credited					
		its Local Return Account with the					
		funds received.			X		
	12.	A separate account was					
		established for Capital reserve					
		funds and Capital reserve was					
		approved by Metro.			Χ		
	13.	Funds were used to augment, not					
		supplant existing local revenues					
		being used for transportation					
		purposes unless there is a fund					
1		shortfall.	Х				

	Compliance Requirements		omplia	nce	Questioned	If no, provide details and
	Compliance Requirements	Yes	No	N/A	Costs	management response.
В.	Measure R Local Return Fund					
	14. Recreational transit form was					
	submitted on time.			X		
	15. Fund exchanges (trades, loans, or					
	gifts) were approved by Metro.			X		
	16. Accounting procedures, record					
	keeping, and documentation are					
	adequate.	Х				

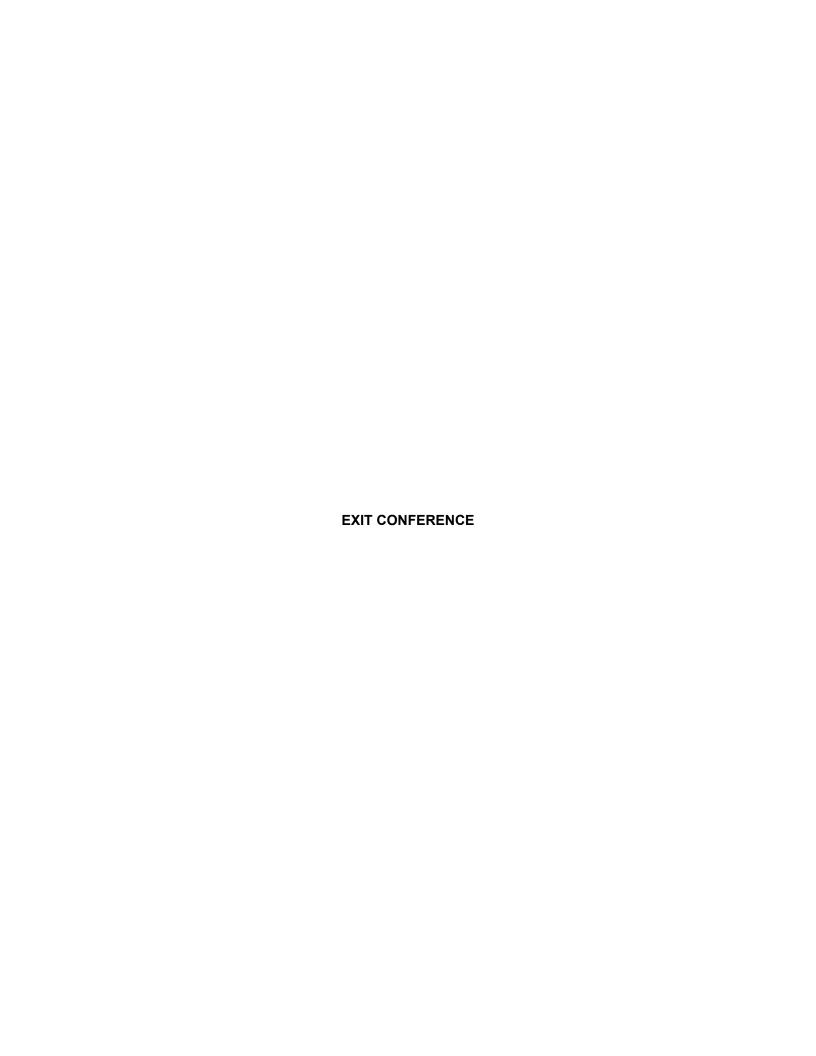
	Compliance Requirements		omplia	ance	Questioned	If no, provide details and
			No	N/A	Costs	management response.
	asure M Local Return Fund					
1.	Funds were expended for					
	transportation purposes.	Х				
2.		· ·				
	Account was established.	Х				
3.	Revenues received including					
	allocations, project generated revenues and interest income was					
	properly credited to the Measure M					
	Local Return Account.	Х				
4.	Funds were expended with Metro's					
	approval.	Х				
5.	Funds were not substituted for					
	property tax and are in compliance					
	with the Maintenance of Effort.	Х				
6.	Timely use of funds.	Χ				
7.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •					
	the 20% cap.	Χ				
8.	Expenditure Plan (Form M-One or					
	electronic equivalent) was	· ·				
	submitted timely.	Х				
9.	Expenditure Report (Form M-Two or electronic equivalent) was					
	submitted timely.	Х				
10	Where funds expended were					
10.	reimbursable by other grants or					
	fund sources, the reimbursement					
	was credited to the Local Return					
	Account upon receipt of the					
	reimbursement.			Х		
11.	Where Measure M funds were					
	given, loaned or exchanged by one					
	jurisdiction to another, the					
	receiving jurisdiction has credited					
	its Local Return Account with the funds received.			X		
12	A separate account was			^		
12.	established for Capital reserve					
	funds and Capital reserve was					
	approved by Metro.			Х		
13.	Funds were used to augment, not					
	supplant existing local revenues					
1	being used for transportation					
	purposes unless there is a fund					
	shortfall.	Χ				

Compliance Beguirements		In Compliance		Questioned	If no, provide details and
Compliance Requirements	Yes	No	N/A	Costs	management response.
C. Measure M Local Return Fund					
<ol><li>Recreational transit form was</li></ol>					
submitted on time.			X		
15. Fund exchanges (trades, loans, or					
gifts) were approved by Metro.			X		
16. Accounting procedures, record					
keeping, and documentation are					
adequate.	X				

	Compliance Requirements		In Compliance		Questioned	If no, provide details and
			No	N/A	Costs	management response.
D.	Transportation Development Act Article					
	3 Fund					
	<ol> <li>Timely use of funds.</li> </ol>	Х				
	<ol><li>Expenditures were incurred for activities relating to pedestrian and bicycle facilities and amenities.</li></ol>			x		There are no expenditures charged to TDAA3F during FY20/21.



There were no findings noted.



An exit conference was held on December 9, 2021 with the City of South Gate representatives. Those in attendance were:

Vasquez and Company LLP representatives:

Marialyn Salvador – Audit Senior Manager
Erica Ong – Audit Senior

City of South Gate representatives:

Kim Sao – Deputy Director of Admin Services/Finance Vinnie Timoteo – Senior Accountant Amy Wu – Sr. Financial Analyst

## Matters discussed:

Results of the audit disclosed a deficiency in internal control over financial reporting.

A copy of this report was forwarded to the following City of South Gate representatives for comments prior to the issuance of the final report:

Kim Sao – Deputy Director of Admin Services/Finance Vinnie Timoteo – Senior Accountant



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