

City of Vernon Annual Financial Report of its

Proposition A Local Return Fund Proposition C Local Return Fund Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund

As of and for the Years Ended June 30, 2018 and 2017

and

**Measure M Local Return Fund** 

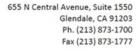
As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2018 with Report of Independent Auditors





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# **Report of Independent Auditors**

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Vernon, 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 and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds) of the City of Vernon, California (the City) which comprise the Funds' balance sheets as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related statements of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances for the years then ended, and the accompanying financial statements of the Measure M Local Return Fund (the Fund) of the City which comprise the Fund's balance sheet as of June 30, 2018, and the related statement of revenues, expenditures and change in fund balance for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit 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 and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund of the City of Vernon, California, as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the Measure M Local Return Fund as of June 30, 2018, 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.

# 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 M Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund of the City of Vernon, California, and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the City as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, 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

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 17, 2018 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 17, 2018

		Jur	ne 30
		2018	2017
	ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$		\$
	Total assets \$		\$
LIABILITIES	AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$		\$
	Total liabilities		
Fund balance			
Restricted			
	Total fund balance		
	Total liabilities and fund balance \$		\$

		Years ended	June 30
		2018	2017
Revenues			
Proposition A	<b>\$</b>	\$\$	2,244
	Total revenues	3,917	2,244
Expenditures			
Transit Stop Trash Removal		3,917	2,244
	Total expenditures	3,917	2,244
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	_		
Fund balance at end of year	\$	- \$	-

# City of Vernon Proposition A Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and LACMTA Approved Project Budget Year ended June 30, 2018 (With Comparative Actuals for 2017)

					2018		
						Variance	
Project			LACMTA			Positive	2017
Code	Project Name		Budget	_	Actual	(Negative)	Actual
170-01	Transit Stop Trash Removal	\$_	3,906	\$	3,917 \$	(11) \$	2,244
	Total expenditu	ıres \$	3,906	\$	3,917 \$	(11) \$	2,244

City of Vernon Proposition A Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Capital Assets Year ended June 30, 2018

Date Acquired		Description		Balance July 1, 2017	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2018
	None		\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
			Total \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-

		Ju	June 30		
		2018			
	ASSETS				
Cash and investments	•	\$ -	\$	-	
	Total assets S	\$	\$	-	
LIABILITIE	S AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	•	\$	\$	-	
	Total liabilities	-	_	-	
Fund balance					
Restricted		-		-	
	Total fund balance	-	_	-	
	Total liabilities and fund balance \$	\$ -	\$	-	

		Years end	ded June 30
		2018	2017
Revenues			
Proposition C	\$	3,276	1,835
	Total revenues	3,276	1,835
Expenditures			
Transit Stop Trash Removal		3,276	1,835
	Total expenditures	3,276	1,835
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-	-
Fund balance at beginning of year	_		<u> </u>
Fund balance at end of year	\$	-	\$

# City of Vernon Proposition C Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and LACMTA Approved Project Budget Year ended June 30, 2018 (With Comparative Actuals for 2017)

				2018		
Project Code	Project Name		LACMTA Budget	Actual	 Variance Positive (Negative)	2017 Actual
170-01	Transit Stop Trash Removal	\$_	3,240 \$	 3,276	\$ (36) \$	1,835
	Total expenditures	\$	3,240 \$	3,276	\$ (36) \$	1,835

City of Vernon Proposition C Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Capital Assets Year ended June 30, 2018

Date Acquired		Description		Balance July 1, 2017		Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2018
	None		 \$	5	- \$	-	\$ -	\$ -
			Total \$	<u></u>	<u> </u>	-	\$ -	\$ -

# City of Vernon Measure M Local Return Fund Balance Sheet June 30, 2018

Cash and investments	ASSETS \$ Total assets \$	<u>-</u>
LIABILITIES	AND FUND BALANCE	
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$	-
	Total liabilities	
Fund balance Restricted		_
T too in o to d	Total fund balance	
	Total liabilities and fund balance \$	

# City of Vernon Measure M Local Return Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Year ended June 30, 2018

Revenues		
Measure M	\$	2,205
Total revenues	;	2,205
Expenditures		
Sign Replacement Program	_	2,205
Total expenditures	· _	2,205
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-
Fund balance at beginning of year	_	
Fund balance at end of year	\$_	

# City of Vernon Measure M Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Expenditures – Actual and LACMTA Approved Project Budget Year ended June 30, 2018

Project Code	Project Name	LACMTA Budget	<u> </u>	Actual	. <u>-</u>	Variance Positive (Negative)
3.10	Sign Replacement Program, Phase 3 \$	16,028	\$	2,205	\$	13,823
	Total expenditures \$	16,028	\$	2,205	\$	13,823

City of Vernon Measure M Local Return Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Capital Assets Year ended June 30, 2018

Date Acquired		Description		Balance July 1, 2017		Additions	Deletions		Balance June 30, 2018
	None			\$	\$_	<u> </u>	\$ <u> </u>	\$_	
			Total S	\$	- \$	-	\$ -	\$	-

		Ju	ne 30
	•	2018	2017
	ASSETS		
Due from LACMTA	\$	10,000	\$ -
	Total assets \$	10,000	\$
LIABILITIE	S AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities			
Due to other funds	\$	10,000	\$ -
	Total liabilities	10,000	<u> </u>
Fund balance			
Restricted	_	-	
	Total fund balance	-	
	Total liabilities and fund balance \$	10,000	\$ -

		Years ende	ed June 30
		2018	2017
Revenues			
Intergovernmental Allocations:			
Article 3	\$_	10,000 \$	<u> </u>
Total revenues	s _	10,000	
Expenditures			
Citywide Concrete Repair and Accessibility Ramps		10,000	5,818
Total expenditures	S _	10,000	5,818
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		-	(5,818)
Fund balance at beginning of year	_		5,818
Fund balance at end of year	\$_	\$	-

# City Vernon Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund Supplementary Information Schedule of Transportation Development Act Allocation for Specific Projects Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 99234 Year ended June 30, 2018

		Totals to Date					
Project Description	Program Year	 Allocations	-	Expenditures		Unexpended Allocations	Project Status
Local Allocations Citywide Concrete Repair and Accessibility Ramps Totals	2018	\$ 10,000	\$	10,000	\$_	<u>-</u>	Completed
Fund balance at beginning of year					_		
Fund balance at end of year				;	\$_	-	

### 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), Measure M Local Return Fund (MMLRF) and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) (collectively, the Funds) are accounted for in the City's General Fund, with separate account coding to monitor the receipt of revenues and payment of 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.

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 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, MMLRF and TDAA3F are reported in the accompanying financial statements. These funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting in the City's General Fund. 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.

# **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

The budgeted amounts presented in this report for comparison to the actual amounts are based on budgets approved by LACMTA and are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

# **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 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for detailed disclosures regarding the City's investments policy and fair value measurement disclosures.

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

# **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, MMLRF and TDAA3F report the following fund balance classification as of June 30, 2018 and 2017:

 Restricted - Amounts that are constrained for specific purposes, which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors, or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The use of the Funds' remaining fund balances are restricted for projects approved by LACMTA.

Information regarding the fund balance reporting policy adopted by the City is described in 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, MMLRF and TDAA3F, and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the City's financial position as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, 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.

# NOTE 3 PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

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 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.

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 5 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with *Public Utilities Code Section 99234*, funds received pursuant to this Code's section may only be used for activities relating to pedestrians and bicycle facilities. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

# NOTE 6 CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The PALRF, PCLRF, 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 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for a full description of risks relating to cash and investments.

# NOTE 7 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND REVENUE ALLOCATION

The revenue allocations for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017 consisted of the following:

	 2018	_	2017	
FY 2016/17 reserve	\$ 5,000	\$	-	
FY 2017/18 allocation	5,000		-	
	\$ 10,000	\$	-	•

# NOTE 8 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUNDS RESERVED

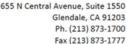
In accordance with TDA Article 3 (SB821) Guidelines, funds which will not be spent during the fiscal year have been placed on reserve in the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) account with the County Auditor-Controller to be drawn down whenever the funds become eligible for a specific project and an approved drawdown request is received by LACMTA. As of June 30, 2018 and 2017, the City has funds on reserve as follows:

	2018	2017
FY 2016/17 allocation	\$ -	\$ 5,000
	\$ -	\$ 5,000

For FY 2017/18, any TDA Article 3 funds left on reserve for FY 2013/14 or prior, are subject to lapse if not claimed by the City by June 30, 2018. There were no funds that lapsed in FY 2017/18.

# NOTE 9 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The City has evaluated subsequent events through December 17, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and concluded no events have occurred that require disclosure or adjustments to the financial statements.



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# Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With Government Auditing Standards

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the City of Vernon, 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 M Local Return Fund and the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds) of the City of Vernon, California (the City) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 17, 2018.

# **Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audits of the Funds' financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over the Funds' financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the Funds' financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audits we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.



# **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure 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*.

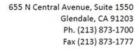
# Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the 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.

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Glendale, California December 17, 2018







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# **Report of Independent Auditors on Compliance**

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

# **Report on Compliance**

We have audited the compliance of the City of Vernon, California (the City) with the Proposition A and Proposition C 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, 2018.

# Management's Responsibility

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

# Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance with the Guidelines based on our audit. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the Guidelines. Those standards and the Guidelines require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Proposition A Local Return Program, Proposition C Local Return Program, Measure 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 Vernon, California complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements of the Guidelines for the year ended June 30, 2018.



# **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 17, 2018

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

Compliance Requirements			omplia	nce	Questioned	If no, provide details and	
		•	Yes	No	N/A	Costs	management response.
В.	B. Measure M Local Return Fund						
	1.						
		transportation purposes.	Χ				
	2.	Funds were used to augment, not					
		supplant, existing local revenues					
		being used for transportation					
		purposes unless there is a fund					
		shortfall.	X				
	3.	Signed Assurances and					
		Understandings on file.	Х				
	4.	Separate Measure M Local Return					
		Account was established.	Х				
	5.	Revenues received including					
		allocations, project generated					
		revenues and interest income was					
		properly credited to the Measure M					
		Local Return Account.	Х				
	6.	Funds were expended with					
		LACMTA's approval.	Х				
	7.	Expenditure Plan (Form M-One)					
		was submitted timely.	Х				
	8.	Expenditure Report (Form M-Two)					
		was submitted timely.	X				
	9.	Timely use of funds.	Х				
	10.	Administrative expenses are within					No administrative
		the 20% cap.					expenses charged to
		·			Х		MMLRF.
	11.	Fund exchanges were approved					
		by LACMTA.			Χ		
	12.	A separate account was					
		established for Capital reserve					
		funds and Capital reserve was					
		approved by LACMTA.			Χ		
	13.	Recreational transit form was					
		submitted timely.			Χ		

Compliance Requirements		In Compliance			Questioned	If no, provide details and	
		Yes	No	N/A	Costs	management response.	
C.	Transportation Development Act						
	Article 3 Fund						
	<ol> <li>Timely use of funds.</li> </ol>	Χ					
	Expenditures were incurred for activities relating to pedestrian						
	and bicycle facilities and amenities.	Х					



There were no findings noted.



An exit conference was held on December 17, 2018 with the City of Vernon representatives. Those in attendance were:

Vasquez and Company LLP representatives:

Marialyn Salvador – Audit Senior Manager
Shweta Mehrotra – Audit Supervisor

City of Vernon representative:

Claudia Arellano – Stormwater Special Projects Analyst

# Matters discussed:

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

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

William Fox – Finance Director Masami Higa – Assistant Finance Director Daniel Wall – Public Works Director Claudia Arellano – Stormwater Special Projects Analyst Joaquin Leon – Deputy City Treasurer



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