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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING
AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES — CITY OF STANTON**

Board of Directors

Orange County Local Transportation Authority
and the Taxpayers Oversight Committee of the
Orange County Local Transportation Authority

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Taxpayers Oversight Committee of the Orange County Local Transportation Authority (OCLTA) (the specified party), on the City of Stanton's (City) compliance with certain provisions of the Measure M2 Local Transportation Ordinance (Ordinance) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. The City's management is responsible for compliance with the Ordinance and for its cash, revenue and expenditure records. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the Taxpayers Oversight Committee of the OCLTA. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and associated findings were as follows:

1. We obtained the OCLTA Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Calculation Report and identified the required minimum amount to be spent on MOE expenditures by the City.

Findings: The City was required to spend \$245,213 in MOE expenditures during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

2. We described which funds the City used to track all street and road expenditures and inquired how the City identifies MOE expenditures in its general ledger.

Findings: All MOE expenditures are tracked in the general ledger by fund, program, and activity. The City recorded its MOE expenditures in its General Fund (101) under the Street Maintenance Department. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

3. We obtained the detail of MOE expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 and determined whether the City met the minimum MOE requirement. We agreed the total MOE expenditures to the amount reported on the City's Expenditure Report (Schedule 3, line 18), explaining any differences.

Findings: The City's MOE expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 were \$246,244 (see Schedule A), which exceeded the requirement. We agreed the total expenditures of \$246,244 to the amount reported on the City's Expenditure Report (Schedule 3, line 18), with no differences. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

4. We selected a sample of MOE expenditures from the City’s general ledger expenditure detail, and described the percentage of total expenditures selected for testing. For each item selected, we performed the following:
 - a. Agreed the dollar amount listed on the general ledger to supporting documentation, which may include a check copy or wire transfer, vendor invoice, payroll registers and timecards, journal voucher or other appropriate supporting documentation.
 - b. Verified that the expenditure was properly classified as a local street and road expenditure and is allowable per the Ordinance.

Findings: MOE expenditures tested totaled \$115,170, representing approximately 47% of total MOE expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. We identified five expenditures, totaling \$8,593 that were not properly classified as local street and road expenditures, nor were the costs allowable per the Ordinance. After removing the amounts from total MOE expenditures, the City did not meet the minimum MOE requirement.

5. We identified whether or not indirect costs were charged as MOE expenditures. If applicable, we compared indirect costs identified to the amount reported on the Eligible Jurisdiction’s Expenditure Report (Schedule 3, line 1), explaining any differences. If applicable, we obtained detail of indirect costs charged, and selected a sample of charges for inspection. We inspected the supporting documentation for reasonableness and appropriate methodology.

Findings: Based on inspection of the Expenditure Report (Schedule 3, line 1), the City reported \$25,168 as indirect costs. Indirect MOE expenditures tested totaled \$12,584. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

6. We obtained a listing of Measure M2 Local Fair Share payments made from OCLTA to the City and calculated the amount the City received for the past three fiscal years. We obtained the fund balance of the City’s Measure M2 Local Fair Share Fund as of June 30, 2018, agreed to the balance as listed on the City’s Expenditure Report (Schedule 1, line 20), and determined whether funds were expended within three years of receipt, explaining any differences.

Findings: The City received \$1,471,623 for the past three fiscal years ended June 30, 2016, 2017 and 2018. The remaining fund balance of these funds was as follows:

<u>Allocation Year</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Remaining Fund Balance</u>
2017/2018	Local Fair Share (M2)	\$ 499,681
2016/2017	Local Fair Share (M2)	\$ 175,576

We agreed the fund balance of \$675,257 to the City’s Expenditure Report (Schedule 1, line 20), with no differences. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

7. We described which fund the City used to track expenditures relating to Measure M2 Local Fair Share monies in its general ledger and the amount spent during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. We agreed the total Local Fair Share expenditures per the general ledger to the amounts reflected on the City’s Expenditure Report (Schedule 2, line 17, and detail listed at Schedule 4), explaining any differences.

Findings: The City’s Measure M2 Local Fair Share expenditures are recorded in Fund 220, Measure M Fund. Total Measure M2 Local Fair Share expenditures per the general ledger during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 were \$1,279,188 (see Schedule A), which agrees to the City’s Expenditure Report (Schedule 2 line 17, and detail listed at Schedule 4). No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

8. We obtained the City's Seven-Year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). We compared the projects listed on the City's Expenditure Report (Schedule 4) to the Seven-Year CIP, explaining any differences. We selected a sample of Measure M2 Local Fair Share expenditures from the City's general ledger expenditure detail, and described the percentage of total expenditures selected for testing. For each item selected, we performed the following:
 - a. Agreed the dollar amount listed on the general ledger to supporting documentation, which may include a check copy or wire transfer, vendor invoice, payroll registers and timecards, journal vouchers or other appropriate supporting documentation.
 - b. Verified that the expenditures selected in (a) above were related to projects included in the City's Seven-Year CIP and were properly classified as Measure M2 Local Fair Share projects.

Findings: Measure M2 Local Fair Share expenditures tested totaled \$1,020,348 representing approximately 80% of total Measure M2 Local Fair Share expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

9. We identified whether or not indirect costs were charged as Measure M2 Local Fair Share expenditures. If applicable, we compared indirect costs identified to the amount reported on the Eligible Jurisdiction's Expenditure Report (Schedule 3, line 1), explaining any differences. If applicable, we selected a sample of charges, and described the dollar amount tested. We identified the amounts charged and inspected supporting documentation for reasonableness and appropriate methodology.

Findings: Based upon inspection of the general ledger detail, Expenditure Report (Schedule 3, Line 1), and discussion with the City's accounting personnel, no indirect costs were identified as Measure M2 Local Fair Share expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

10. We obtained and inspected the City's interest allocation methodology and amount of interest allocated to the Measure M2 Local Fair Share Fund to ensure the proper amount of interest was credited. We agreed the amount reflected to the amount of interest listed on the City's Expenditure Report (Schedule 2, line 4), explaining any differences.

Findings: No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

11. We determined the City was found eligible by the TOC Eligibility Subcommittee.

Findings: We inspected the minutes of the TOC and verified that the TOC Eligibility Subcommittee found the City was eligible to receive Measure M2 Local Fair Share funds. No exceptions were found as a result of this procedure.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an audit or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the accounting records, any indirect cost allocation plans and compliance with the provisions of the Measure M2 Local Transportation Ordinance. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

At the request of OCLTA, the City's responses to certain findings are included in Exhibit 1. The responses are included for the purposes of additional information and were not subjected to the procedures described above. Accordingly, we did not perform any procedures on the City's responses and express no assurance or opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Local Transportation Authority and the Taxpayers Oversight Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than those specified parties.

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Laguna Hills, California
March 12, 2019

CITY OF STANTON, CALIFORNIA
Schedule of Measure M2 Local Fair Share Expenditures
Year Ended June 30, 2018
(Unaudited)

Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Expenditures:

Maintenance:	
Other Street Purpose Maintenance - Schedule 3, line 15	\$ 221,076
Indirect and/or Overhead - Schedule 3, line 1	<u>25,168</u>
Total MOE Expenditures	<u>246,244</u>

Measure M2 Local Fair Share Expenditures (Schedule 4):

Rutledge & Palais Alley Improvement Project (Citywide Pavement Rehabilitation)	807,596
Western Ave. & Thunderbid Traffic Signal Project (Traffic Signal Improvements)	321,082
Maintenance - Various Street Repairs (Citywide Sluury Seal / Citywide Sidewalk Repair)	<u>150,510</u>
Total Measure M2 Local Fair Share Expenditures	<u>1,279,188</u>
Total MOE and Measure M2 Local Fair Share Expenditures	<u>\$ 1,525,432</u>

Note:

The above amounts were taken directly from the financial records of the City of Stanton and were not audited.



March 12, 2019

David J. Shawver
Mayor

Rigoberto A. Ramirez
Council Member

Carol Warren
Council Member

Gary Taylor
Council Member

Robert W. Hall
Interim City Manager

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The following response is being submitted to address results from the agreed upon procedures performed for the Measure M2 Local Transportation Ordinance for the City of Stanton as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

Procedure #4

We selected a sample of MOE expenditures from the City's general ledger expenditure detail, and described the percentage of total expenditures selected for testing. For each item selected, we performed the following:

- a. Agreed the dollar amount listed on the general ledger to supporting documentation, which may include a check copy or wire transfer, vendor invoice, payroll registers and timecards, journal voucher or other appropriate supporting documentation.
- b. Verified that the expenditure was properly classified as a local street and road expenditure and is allowable per the Ordinance.

Findings:

MOE expenditures tested totaled \$115,170, representing approximately 47% of total MOE expenditures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. We identified five expenditures, totaling \$8,593 that were not properly classified as local street and road expenditures, nor were the costs allowable per the Ordinance. After removing the amounts from total MOE expenditures, the City did not meet the minimum MOE requirement.

City's Response:

The City has identified additional General Fund local street and road expenditures in the amount of \$13,482.89. These expenditures were not recorded as MOE expenditures; however we believe the identified expenditures qualify as local street and road-related, and the total exceeds the identified disallowed costs. We also have over \$25,000 in local street and road expenditures charged to a Lighting and Landscaping District Fund in excess of our shortage that could be transferred if necessary. Alternatively, the City would be willing to transfer from the General Fund or overspend our MOE next year. We are willing to do whatever it takes to be in compliance of our MOE requirement.

The City has already made revisions to internal controls to ensure that this situation will not occur again. Additional controls implemented include:

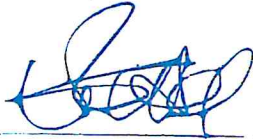
- a) An additional review to ensure all General Fund street maintenance-related expenditures are accurately classified.
- b) A mid-year review of expenditures charged to our Street Maintenance division.

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- c) A year-end review to ensure that expenditures charged are appropriate and that the MOE has been met, with the back-up of re-allocating funds charged to our Lighting and Landscaping District Fund if our MOE has not been met.
- d) On top of the additional procedures, we will be budgeting a minimum of 10% cushion between the minimum MOE requirement and the City's local street and road expenditure budget.

As a result of the above internal control changes, we are confident that the City will meet the minimum MOE requirements in the future, and would be willing to comply with another audit next year or one in the next few years to verify that these controls protect against falling short of our MOE requirement.

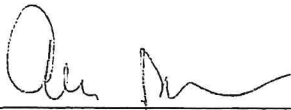
Sincerely,



Title: Interim City Manager



Title: Assistant City Manager
(Director of Finance)



Title: Public Works Director