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March 28, 2014

Mr. Matthew Hawkesworth, Assistant City Manager
City of Rosemead
8838 East Valley Boulevard
Rosemead, CA 91770

Dear Mr. Hawkesworth:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (m), the City of Rosemead Successor Agency (Agency) submitted a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 14-15A) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on February 20, 2014 for the period of July through December 2014. Finance has completed its review of your ROPS 14-15A, which may have included obtaining clarification for various items.

HSC section 34171 (d) defines enforceable obligations. Based on a sample of line items reviewed and application of the law, the following does not qualify as an enforceable obligation for the reason specified:

- Item No. 33 – Administrative cost allowance adjustment in the amount of $102,205. It is our understanding this line item is for the shortfall the Agency thought occurred during the ROPS 13-14B period. However, no shortfall occurred as administrative cost in the amount of $102,205 was reclassified to Other Funds in our November 1, 2013 determination letter and the Agency received full funding in the amount of $1,188,155 in Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) distribution on ROPS 13-14B. Therefore, this line item does not qualify as an enforceable obligation and is not eligible for RPTTF.

Pursuant to HSC section 34186 (a), successor agencies were required to report on the ROPS 14-15A form the estimated obligations and actual payments (prior period adjustments) associated with the July through December 2013 period. HSC section 34186 (a) also specifies prior period adjustments self-reported by successor agencies are subject to audit by the county auditor-controller (CAC) and the State Controller. The amount of RPTTF approved in the table below includes the prior period adjustment resulting from the CAC's audit of the Agency's self-reported prior period adjustment.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is $3,153,625 as summarized below:

| Approved RPTTF Distribution<br>For the period of July through December 2014 | | |
|---|---|---|
| Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations | | 3,130,830 |
| Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations | | 125,000 |
| **Total RPTTF requested for obligations** | **$** | **3,255,830** |
| **Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations** | | **3,130,830** |
| Denied Item | | |
| Item No. 33 | | (102,205) |
| **Total RPTTF authorized for non-administrative obligations** | **$** | **3,028,625** |
| **Total RPTTF authorized for administrative obligations** | **$** | **125,000** |
| **Total RPTTF authorized for obligations** | **$** | **3,153,625** |
| ROPS 13-14A prior period adjustment | | 0 |
| **Total RPTTF approved for distribution** | **$** | **3,153,625** |

Please refer to the ROPS 14-15A schedule that was used to calculate the approved RPTTF amount:

http://www.dof.ca.gov/redevelopment/ROPS

Absent a Meet and Confer, this is Finance's final determination related to the enforceable obligations reported on your ROPS for July 1 through December 31, 2014. This determination only applies to items where funding was requested for the six-month period. Finance's determination is effective for this time period only and should not be conclusively relied upon for future periods. All items listed on a future ROPS are subject to a subsequent review and may be denied even if it was or was not denied on this ROPS or a preceding ROPS. The only exception is for those items that have received a Final and Conclusive determination from Finance pursuant to HSC section 34177.5 (i). Finance's review of items that have received a Final and Conclusive determination is limited to confirming the scheduled payments as required by the obligation.

The amount available from the RPTTF is the same as the amount of property tax increment that was available prior to enactment of ABx1 26 and AB 1484. This amount is not and never was an unlimited funding source. Therefore, as a practical matter, the ability to fund the items on the ROPS with property tax is limited to the amount of funding available to the successor agency in the RPTTF.

To the extent proceeds from bonds issued after December 31, 2010 exist and are not encumbered by an enforceable obligation pursuant to HSC section 34171 (d), HSC section 34191.4 (c) (2) (B) requires these proceeds be used to defease the bonds or to purchase those same outstanding bonds on the open market for cancellation.

Please direct inquiries to Kylie Oltmann, Supervisor or Hugo Lopez, Lead Analyst at (916) 445-1546.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Program Budget Manager

cc: Ms. Gloria Molleda, City Clerk, City of Rosemead
Ms. Kristina Burns, Manager, Department of Auditor-Controller, Los Angeles County
California State Controller's Office