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2024-25 Annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (o) (1), the City of Covina Successor Agency (Agency) submitted an annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 (ROPS 24-25) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on January 18, 2024. Finance has completed its review of the ROPS 24-25.

Based on a sample of line items reviewed and application of the law, Finance made the following determination:

- The claimed administrative costs requested from Other Funds exceed the allowance by \$95,782. HSC section 34171 (b) (3) limits the fiscal year Administrative Cost Allowance (ACA) to three percent of actual Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) distributed in the preceding fiscal year or \$250,000, whichever is greater; not to exceed 50 percent of the RPTTF distributed in the preceding fiscal year. As a result, the Agency's maximum ACA is \$34,218 for fiscal year 2024-25.

| Administrative Cost Allowance Calculation | |
|--|-------------------|
| Actual RPTTF distributed for fiscal year 2023-24 | \$68,435 |
| Less distributed Administrative RPTTF | (0) |
| RPTTF distributed for 2023-24 after adjustments | \$68,435 |
| ACA Cap for 2024-25 per HSC section 34171 (b) | \$34,218 |
| ACA requested for 2024-25 | 130,000 |
| ACA in Excess of the Cap | (\$95,782) |

Pursuant to HSC section 34186, successor agencies are required to report differences between actual payments and past estimated obligations (prior period adjustments) for the July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 (ROPS 21-22) period. The ROPS 21-22 prior period adjustment (PPA) will offset the ROPS 24-25 RPTTF distribution. The amount of RPTTF authorized includes the PPA resulting from the County Auditor-Controller's review of the PPA form submitted by the Agency. Total authorized RPTTF is insufficient to allow the PPA to be applied this ROPS period, resulting in an excess PPA that should be applied prior to requesting RPTTF on future ROPS.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$0, as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table (see Attachment).

RPTTF distributions occur biannually, one distribution for the July 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 period (ROPS A period), and one distribution for the January 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025 period (ROPS B period), based on Finance's approved amounts. Since this determination is for the entire ROPS 24-25 period, the Agency is authorized to receive up to the maximum approved RPTTF through the combined ROPS A and B period distributions.

Except for the adjusted item, Finance approves the remaining items listed on the ROPS 24-25 at this time. If the Agency disagrees with our determination with respect to any items on the ROPS 24-25, except items which are the subject of litigation disputing our previous or related determinations, the Agency may request a Meet and Confer within five business days from the date of this letter. The Agency must use the RAD App to complete and submit its Meet and Confer request form. The Meet and Confer process and guidelines are available on our website:

http://dof.ca.gov/Programs/Redevelopment/Meet_And_Confer/

Absent a Meet and Confer, this is our final determination regarding the obligations listed on the ROPS 24-25. This determination only applies to items when funding was requested for the 12-month period. If a determination by Finance in a previous ROPS is currently the subject of litigation, the item will continue to reflect the determination until the matter is resolved.

The ROPS 24-25 form submitted by the Agency and this determination letter will be posted on our website:

<http://dof.ca.gov/Programs/Redevelopment/ROPS/>

This determination is effective for the ROPS 24-25 period only and should not be conclusively relied upon for future ROPS periods. All items listed on a future ROPS are subject to Finance's review and may be adjusted even if not adjusted on this ROPS or a preceding ROPS. The only exception is for items that have received a Final and Conclusive determination from Finance pursuant to HSC section 34177.5 (i). Finance's review of Final and Conclusive items is limited to confirming the scheduled payments as required by the obligation.

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The amount available from the RPTTF is the same as the amount of property tax increment available prior to the enactment of the redevelopment dissolution law. Therefore, as a practical matter, the ability to fund the items on the ROPS with property tax increment is limited to the amount of funding available to the Agency in the RPTTF.

Please direct inquiries to RedevelopmentAdministration@dof.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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Chief, Office of State Audits and Evaluations

cc: Alan Sands, Senior Accountant, City of Covina
Linda Santillano, Property Tax Apportionment Division Chief, Los Angeles County
Cesar Hernandez, Countywide Oversight Board Representative

Attachment

| Approved RPTTF Distribution July 2024 through June 2025 | | | |
|--|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| | ROPS A | ROPS B | Total |
| RPTTF Requested | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| Administrative RPTTF Requested | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total RPTTF Requested | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| RPTTF Authorized | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Administrative RPTTF Requested | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Administrative RPTTF Authorized | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ROPS 21-22 prior period adjustment (PPA) | 0 | (32,987) | (32,987) |
| Excess PPA | 0 | 32,987 | 32,987 |
| Total RPTTF Approved for Distribution | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |