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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 Moorpark 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 February 2, 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 determinations:

- Item No. 35 – Ruben Castro Human Services Center (Center) request for \$200,000 in Bond Proceeds is not allowed at this time. The Agency received a Finding of Completion on March 25, 2013 and is allowed to expend bond proceeds derived from bonds issued prior to January 1, 2011 in a manner consistent with the bond covenants. It is our understanding the agency intends to use the bond proceeds to fix the existing Center roof. However, a contract has not been executed for the roof repairs nor has the Agency been able to provide supporting documentation for the requested amount. Before the expenditure of bond proceeds can take place, the Agency must be able to support the requested amount. Therefore, with the Agency's concurrence, the requested amount of \$200,000 is not eligible for funding at this time. To the extent the Agency can provide proper documentation, such as an estimate and/or contract, to support the requested amount, funding may be approved on a future ROPS.
- The administrative costs claimed are within the fiscal year administrative cap pursuant to HSC section 34171 (b) (3). However, Finance notes the Oversight Board (OB) approved an amount that appears excessive, given the number and nature of the obligations listed on the ROPS. HSC section 34179 (i) requires the OB to exercise a fiduciary duty to the taxing entities. Therefore, Finance encourages the OB to apply adequate oversight when evaluating the administrative resources necessary to successfully wind down the Agency.

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 Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) distribution. The amount of RPTTF authorized includes the PPA resulting from the County Auditor-Controller's (CAC) review of the PPA form submitted by the Agency, as adjusted by Finance. Specifically, for Item No. 5 – Bond disclosure and consulting services, Finance adjusted the actual RPTTF funds expended by \$13,510 from \$20,000 to \$6,490, which increased the PPA from \$30,082 to \$43,592. The adjustment was based on confirmation from the Agency and the CAC that a payment of \$13,510 was made with funds from an escrow account.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$1,488,974, 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/](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](mailto:RedevelopmentAdministration@dof.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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Robert Bravo, Countywide Oversight Board Representative

<b>Approved RPTTF Distribution July 2024 through June 2025</b>			
	<b>ROPS A</b>	<b>ROPS B</b>	<b>Total</b>
RPTTF Requested	\$ 25,000	\$ 1,392,566	\$ 1,417,566
Administrative RPTTF Requested	57,500	57,500	115,000
<b>Total RPTTF Requested</b>	<b>82,500</b>	<b>1,450,066</b>	<b>1,532,566</b>
<b>RPTTF Authorized</b>	<b>25,000</b>	<b>1,392,566</b>	<b>1,417,566</b>
<b>Administrative RPTTF Authorized</b>	<b>57,500</b>	<b>57,500</b>	<b>115,000</b>
ROPS 21-22 prior period adjustment (PPA)	(43,592)	0	(43,592)
<b>Total RPTTF Approved for Distribution</b>	<b>\$ 38,908</b>	<b>\$ 1,450,066</b>	<b>\$ 1,488,974</b>