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2022-23 Annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (o) (1), the City of Commerce Successor Agency (Agency) submitted an annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 (ROPS 22-23) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on January 20, 2022. Finance has completed its review of the ROPS 22-23.

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

- Item No. 36 – 1994 Association of Bay Area Governments Tax Allocation Bond. The Agency requested the amount of \$50,138 in error. The amount of \$50,138 for the ROPS 22-23 period was incorrect and should be \$55,310. Therefore, with the Agency's concurrence, Finance made an adjustment of \$5,172 to increase the requested Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) funding to accurately reflect the required debt service payment amount.
- Item No. 62 – Legal Costs. The Agency requested the amount of \$400,000 in error. The amount of \$400,000 for the ROPS 22-23 period was incorrect and should be \$300,000. Therefore, with the Agency's concurrence, Finance made an adjustment in the amount of \$100,000 to decrease the requested amount to accurately reflect the necessary RPTTF funding for this item.
- On the ROPS 22-23 form, the Agency reported cash balances and activity for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 (ROPS 19-20). According to our review, the Agency has approximately \$2,301,375 from Other Funds available to fund enforceable obligations on the ROPS 22-23. HSC section 34177 (l) (1) (E) requires these balances to be used prior to requesting RPTTF funding. These items do not require payment from property tax revenues; therefore, with the Agency's concurrence, the funding sources for the following items have been reclassified in the amounts specified below:

Item No.	Item Name/Project Name	Total Funding Approved	RPTTF Approved	Other Funds Approved
2	City Loan	\$5,284,576	\$3,383,201	\$1,901,375
85	Disposition Costs - 2366 Travers - LRPMP site #1	400,000	0	400,000
Total		\$5,684,576	\$3,383,201	\$2,301,375

Pursuant to HSC section 34186, successor agencies are required to report differences between actual payments and past estimated obligations (prior period adjustments) for the ROPS 19-20 period. The ROPS 19-20 prior period adjustment (PPA) will offset the ROPS 22-23 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.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$13,642,855, as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table (see Attachment).

RPTTF distributions occur biannually, one distribution for the July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 period (ROPS A period), and one distribution for the January 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023 period (ROPS B period), based on Finance's approved amounts. Since this determination is for the entire ROPS 22-23 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 items, Finance approves the remaining items listed on the ROPS 22-23 at this time. If the Agency disagrees with our determination with respect to any items on the ROPS 22-23, 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 Meet and Confer process and guidelines are available on our website:

<http://dof.ca.gov/Programs/Redevelopment/Meet And Confer/>

The Agency must use the RAD App to complete and submit its Meet and Confer request form.

Absent a Meet and Confer, this is our final determination regarding the obligations listed on the ROPS 22-23. 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 22-23 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 22-23 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.

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 Joshua Mortimer, Supervisor, or Rachel Lynch, Staff, at (916) 322-2985.

Sincerely,

Original signed by Cheryl L. McCormick for:

JENNIFER WHITAKER
Program Budget Manager

cc: Josh Brooks, Director of Finance, City of Commerce
Kristina Burns, Manager, Department of Auditor-Controller, Los Angeles County

Approved RPTTF Distribution July 2022 through June 2023			
	ROPS A	ROPS B	Total
RPTTF Requested	\$ 9,500,754	\$ 7,048,633	\$ 16,549,387
Administrative RPTTF Requested	125,000	125,000	250,000
Total RPTTF Requested	9,625,754	7,173,633	16,799,387
RPTTF Requested	9,500,754	7,048,633	16,549,387
<u>Adjustment(s)</u>			
Item No. 2	0	(1,901,375)	(1,901,375)
Item No. 36	5,892	(720)	5,172
Item No. 62	(50,000)	(50,000)	(100,000)
Item No. 85	(400,000)	0	(400,000)
	(444,108)	(1,952,095)	(2,396,203)
RPTTF Authorized	9,056,646	5,096,538	14,153,184
Administrative RPTTF Authorized	125,000	125,000	250,000
ROPS 19-20 prior period adjustment (PPA)	(760,329)	0	(760,329)
Total RPTTF Approved for Distribution	\$ 8,421,317	\$ 5,221,538	\$ 13,642,855