

CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA

Measure I Fund

Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

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Board of Directors
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority
San Bernardino, California

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Measure I Fund of the City of San Bernardino, California ("City"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Measure I Fund of the City, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position of the Measure I Fund of the City for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities of the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the City and to meet our ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Emphasis of Matters

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements present only the Measure I Fund of the City and do not purport to, and do not present fairly, the financial position of the City as of June 30, 2023, the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the

preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Measure I Fund of the City's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards

generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on financial statements of the Measure I Fund of the City. The *Program Status: Comparison of 5 Year Plan Project Budget to Current Year Expenditures and Maintenance of Effort: Comparison of Base Level Amount to Annual Expenditures* listed as Other Information in the table of contents, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. The other information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 8, 2024 on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting for the Measure I Fund and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Lake Forest, California
February 8, 2024

CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA

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Balance Sheet

June 30, 2023

Assets

Cash and investments (Note 3)	\$ 9,561,454
Taxes receivable (Note 4)	2,049,590
Interest receivable	<u>15,639</u>
 Total assets	 <u>\$ 11,626,683</u>

Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balance

Liabilities

Accounts payable	\$ 304,763
Retentions payable	<u>286,648</u>
 Total liabilities	 <u>591,411</u>

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Unavailable revenue	<u>505,119</u>
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Fund balance - restricted	<u>10,530,153</u>
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Liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balance	<u>\$ 11,626,683</u>
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See accompanying notes to financial statements

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Revenues:

Measure I sales tax	\$ 5,921,861
Interest income	<u>106,766</u>

Total revenues	<u>6,028,627</u>
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Expenditures:

Construction	6,970,627
Engineering	<u>55,324</u>

Total expenditures	<u>7,025,951</u>
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Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(997,324)
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Fund balance at beginning of year, as previously stated	11,600,169
Prior period adjustment (Note 6)	<u>(72,692)</u>

Fund balance at beginning of year, as restated	<u>11,527,477</u>
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Fund balance at end of year	<u><u>\$ 10,530,153</u></u>
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See accompanying notes to financial statements

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Notes to Financial Statements

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

(1) General Information

Reporting Entity

The financial statements are intended to reflect the financial position and changes in financial position of the Measure I Fund of the City of San Bernardino, California (City) only. Accordingly, the financial statements do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City, as of June 30, 2023, and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Measure I

Measure I is the half-cent sales tax collected throughout San Bernardino County for transportation improvements. In 2004, San Bernardino County voters approved the extension of the Measure I sales tax through 2040. See Note 5 for a detailed description of the Measure.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Measure I Fund of the City conform to accounting policies generally accepted in the United States of America. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies.

Fund Accounting

The accounts of the City are organized on the basis of funds. A fund is defined as an independent fiscal and accounting entity wherein operations of each fund are accounted for in a separate set of self-balancing accounts that record resources, related benefits, and equity, segregated for the purpose of carrying out specific activities. The City accounts for the Measure I activities within its Measure I Special Revenue Fund.

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The special revenue funds of the City are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, revenues are available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred.

Operating statements of governmental funds present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current resources.

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(2) **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Revenue Recognition

Recognition of revenues arising from nonexchange transactions, which include revenues from taxes, certain grants, and contributions, is based on the primary characteristic from which the revenues are received by the City. For the City, funds received under Measure I possess the characteristic of a voluntary nonexchange transaction similar to a grant. Revenues under Measure I are recognized in the period when all eligibility requirements have been met.

A deferred inflow of resources arises when potential revenues do not meet both the measurable and availability criteria for recognition in the current period. Deferred inflows of resources also arise when the City receives resources before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualified expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the City has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred inflow of resources is removed from the balance sheet, and revenue is recognized.

Fund Balance

The components of the fund balances of governmental funds reflect the component classifications described below.

- *Nonspendable Fund Balance* – includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form, or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- *Restricted Fund Balance* – includes amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.
- *Committed Fund Balance* – includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the City.

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(2) **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

- *Assigned Fund Balance* – includes amounts that are intended to be used by the City for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- *Unassigned Fund Balance* – includes any deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

When restricted and unrestricted resources are available for expenditure for the same purpose, the City expends restricted resources before unrestricted resources. Within unrestricted resources, the fund balance is depleted in the order of committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Maintenance of Effort

In accordance with California Public Utilities Code 190300 and Ordinance No. 04-01 of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA), Local Street Program funds shall not be used to supplant existing local discretionary funds being used for street and highway purposes. The maintenance of effort (MOE) base year level was determined based upon the discretionary General Fund expenditures for transportation-related construction and maintenance activities in fiscal year 2008/2009. The MOE base year level as approved by the SBCTA Board of Directors shall remain in effect until the expiration of Measure I 2010-2040. General Fund expenditures in excess of the MOE base year level will carry over to subsequent fiscal years and can be applied in a future year to offset the amount the local agency may need to meet the MOE requirement. The City's determined MOE base level is \$1,075,643.

Deferred Inflows of Resources

Deferred inflows of resources-unavailable revenues represent revenues earned during the period but unavailable to liquidate current liabilities. These amounts are deferred and recognized in the period that the amounts become available. Deferred inflows of resources in the financial statements represent amounts due from other governments at year-end, and not collected with a timeframe to finance current year expenditures.

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(3) Cash and Investments

Cash and investments are pooled by the City to facilitate cash management and maximize investment opportunities and yields. Investment income resulting from this pooling is allocated to the respective funds including the Measure I Fund based upon the average cash balance. The investment policies and the risks related to cash and investments, applicable to the Measure I Fund, are those of the City and are disclosed in the City's basic financial statements. The City's basic financial statements can be obtained at City Hall.

The Measure I Fund's cash and investments are reported at fair value. The fair value measurements are based on the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The Measure I Fund's deposits and withdrawals in the City Investment Pool are made on the basis of \$1 and not fair value. Accordingly, the Measure I Fund's investment in the City Investment Pool is measured based on uncategorized inputs not defined as Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3.

The Measure I Fund's cash and investments as of June 30, 2023 was \$9,561,454.

(4) Taxes Receivables

Taxes receivable in the amount of \$2,049,590 represent the Measure I sales tax revenues for the fiscal year received from SBCTA after June 30, 2023.

(5) Measure I Fund

The California State Legislature authorized county transportation authorities to enact local option sales tax measures for transportation improvements in the late 1980s, under provisions of Division 19 (commencing with Section 180000) of the Public Utilities Code. In November 1989, San Bernardino County voters approved passage of Measure I, authorizing SBCTA to impose a half-cent retail transactions and use tax applicable in the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the County of San Bernardino for the 20-year period between April 1, 1990 and March 31, 2010. SBCTA is authorized to administer the programs described in the Measure. Early in the second decade of Measure I, it became apparent that continuation of the half cent sales tax would be critical to maintaining funding for transportation in San Bernardino County. SBCTA member jurisdictions and transportation stakeholders worked to identify transportation needs, and an expenditure plan was developed to serve as a basis for the renewal of Measure I.

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(5) **Measure I Fund (Continued)**

Ordinance No. 04-01 was placed before voters in November 2004, and Measure I was renewed. The new Measure I extends the half cent sales tax for 30 years, from April 1, 2010 through March 31, 2040. The new Measure is referred to as Measure I 2010-2040 to distinguish it from the first Measure I.

Revenue from the tax can only be used for transportation improvement and traffic management programs authorized in the Expenditure Plan.

Measure I 2010-2040 has a return-to-source provision that states that funds shall be allocated to subareas in accordance with the actual revenue collected in each subarea. After deduction of required Board of Equalization fees and authorized administrative costs, revenues generated in each subarea are to be expended on projects of direct benefit to that subarea. Revenues are accounted for separately for each subarea and then allocated to specified project categories in each subarea. These project categories are termed "programs" in the Strategic Plan. Decisions on how revenues are expended within the subareas are made by the SBCTA Board of Directors based upon recommendations of local subarea representatives. Other than the projects identified in the Cajon Pass Expenditure Plan, revenues generated within a subarea can be expended outside of that subarea only upon approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the jurisdictions within the affected subarea. A proportional share of projected state and federal transportation funds is to be reserved for use solely within the Valley subarea and individual Mountain/Desert (Colorado River, Morongo Basin, Mountains, North Desert and Victor Valley) subareas. In the San Bernardino Valley subarea, Measure I 2010-2040 contains the following programs:

- Freeway Program
- Freeway Interchange Program
- Major Street Program
- Local Street Program
- Metrolink/Rail Program
- Express Bus/Bus Rapid Transit Program
- Senior and Disabled Transit Program
- Traffic Management Systems Program

In each of the Mountain/Desert subareas, Measure I 2010-2040 contains the following programs:

- Local Street Program
- Major Local Highway Program
- Senior and Disabled Transit Program

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(6) **Prior Period Adjustment**

The City restated fund balance as of July 1, 2022 to properly reflect beginning equity as a result of the following:

- The City posted an interest accrual adjusting journal entry of \$6,394 to the Measure I fund in the prior year, subsequent to the Fund audit.
- The City accrued \$65,770 of construction expenditures into the Measure I fund in the prior year, subsequent to the Fund audit.
- The City accrued \$528 of engineering expenditures into the Measure I fund in the prior year, subsequent to the Fund audit.

The following table describes the effects of the restatement on the July 1, 2022 fund balance:

<u>Measure I Fund</u>	<u>June 30, 2022 Previously Presented</u>	<u>Restatement</u>	<u>July 1, 2022 Restated</u>
Interest receivable	\$ 15,931	\$ (6,394)	\$ 9,537
Other accrued liabilities	-	65,770	65,770
Salaries payable	-	528	528
Fund balance	\$ 11,600,169	\$ (72,692)	\$ 11,527,477

(7) **Restrictions**

Funds received pursuant to the Measure I Ordinance 04-01 and the Expenditure Plan, adopted by SBCTA relating to the expenditure of Measure I revenue may only be used for transportation improvement and traffic management programs authorized in the Measure I Five Year Capital Improvement Program.

(8) **Contingencies**

See the City's basic financial statements for disclosures related to contingencies including those relating to various legal actions, administrative proceedings, or claims in the ordinary course of operations.

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(9) Budgetary Data

The City adopts an annual budget on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The legal level of budgetary control is at the fund level.

Required Supplementary Information

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budget		Actual	Variance From Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues:				
Measure I sales tax	\$ 4,772,000	\$ 4,772,000	\$ 5,921,861	\$ 1,149,861
Interest income	<u>28,000</u>	<u>28,000</u>	<u>106,766</u>	<u>78,766</u>
Total revenues	<u>4,800,000</u>	<u>4,800,000</u>	<u>6,028,627</u>	<u>1,228,627</u>
Expenditures:				
Construction	-	22,586,907	6,970,627	15,616,280
Engineering	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,324</u>	<u>(55,324)</u>
Total expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>22,586,907</u>	<u>7,025,951</u>	<u>15,560,956</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>\$ 4,800,000</u>	<u>\$ (17,786,907)</u>	(997,324)	<u>\$ 16,789,583</u>
Fund balance at beginning of year			11,600,169	
Prior period adjustment (Note 6)			<u>(72,692)</u>	
Fund balance at beginning of year, as restated			<u>11,527,477</u>	
Fund balance at end of year			<u>\$ 10,530,153</u>	

Other Information

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Program Status: Comparison of 5 Year Plan Project Budget to Current Year Expenditures

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

The Measure I Five Year Capital Improvement Plan for local streets was adopted by Council Resolution No. 2022-150. Of the funds allocated under the Measure I Five Year Capital Improvement Plan, the following programs were affected during the current fiscal year:

Local Projects	5-Year Plan	Current Fiscal	(Over)/Under
	Project Estimate	Year Expenditures	Estimate
University Parkway & I-215 Improvements	\$ 850,000	\$ 125,207	\$ 724,793
Co-op with City of Highland for Pacific Street from Buckeye Street to Boulder Avenue	850,000	271,127	578,873
Pepper Ave. Rehabilitation from Baseline Rd. to Mill St.	7,500,000	1,943,788	5,556,212
Bellevue Reconstruction from Mt. Vernon to K Street	215,000	25	214,975
27th Street Rehabilitation from Little Mountain Avenue to K Street	165,000	25	164,975
Temple Street Rehabilitation from Medical Center Drive to end	165,000	25	164,975
Pavement Management System	1,000,000	1,624,549	(624,549)
Mill & K St Traffic Signal Upgrade *	-	209,122	(209,122)
Mill St & Arrowhead Traffic Sign *	-	220,256	(220,256)
City Wide Bus Stop Improvements *	-	99,700	(99,700)
Sierra Way from 9th to 40th - Street Pavement and Concrete Work Improvements *	-	2,395,945	(2,395,945)
Waterman Ave at State route 210 - On ramp improvements, and street signage and signal improvements *	-	101,078	(101,078)
Bicycle Lane Extension along G Street and Rialto Avenue *	-	35,104	(35,104)
Total Measure I Fund expenditures at June 30, 2023		<u>\$ 7,025,951</u>	

* Note: Project was not on the SBCTA approved Five-Year CIP, see Finding 2023-01.

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Maintenance of Effort: Comparison of Base Level Amount to Annual Expenditures

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

The maintenance of effort base level amount was determined based upon fiscal year 2008/09 spending levels. Excess/(deficient) amounts are carried forward in accordance with the Measure I Strategic Plan. Actual amounts expended in relation to the base level amount in each year subsequent to the base year are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,	General Fund			Cumulative Excess/ (Deficiency)
	Street and	Base Level	Excess/ (Deficiency)	
	Highway Funds Utilized			
		Amount		
2010	\$ 1,081,305	\$ (1,075,643)	\$ 5,662	\$ 5,662
2011	(766,984)	(1,075,643)	(1,842,627)	(1,836,965)
2012	(511,222)	(1,075,643)	(1,586,865)	(3,423,830)
2013	4,877	(1,075,643)	(1,070,766)	(4,494,596)
2014	4,580	(1,075,643)	(1,071,063)	(5,565,659)
2015	457,374	(1,075,643)	(618,269)	(6,183,928)
2016	260,138	(1,075,643)	(815,505)	(6,999,433)
2017	395,511	(1,075,643)	(680,132)	(7,679,565)
2018	887,745	(1,075,643)	(187,898)	(7,867,463)
2019	8,437,051	(1,075,643)	7,361,408	(506,055)
2020	3,245,402	(1,075,643)	2,169,759	1,663,704
2021	3,405,521	(1,075,643)	2,329,878	3,993,582
2022	6,590,827	(1,075,643)	5,515,184	9,508,766



Board of Directors
San Bernardino County Transportation Authority
San Bernardino, California

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN
AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Measure I Fund of the City of San Bernardino, California ("City"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 8, 2024. Our report included an emphasis of matter stating that the financial statements of the Measure I Funds do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City as of June 30, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the City's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We identified a deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2023-02 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Measure I Fund of the City are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with requirements described in Measure I Ordinance (the “Ordinance”) as specified in the agreement between the City and San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (“SBCTA”) and certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards, including the Measure I requirements as specified in the agreement between the City and SBCTA, which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2023-01.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity’s internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity’s internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Conrad LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lake Forest, California
February 8, 2024

CITY OF SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA

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Schedule of Findings and Responses

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

2023-01 Expenditure Incurred on Projects Not Approved on the 5-Year CIP Material Weakness

Criteria:

The Measure I Strategic Plan states that each local jurisdiction is required to annually adopt a 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan ("CIP) which details the specific projects to be funded using Measure I Local Pass-Through Funds. Expenditures of Measure I Local Pass-Through Funds must be detailed in the 5-Year CIP and adopted by resolution of the governing body.

The Measure I Strategic Plan further states that the 5-Year CIP shall be the basis for the annual audit. For a project to be eligible for Measure I funds, the project must be included in the current CIP. An amended CIP should be used in instances where projects are added to the CIP during the year.

Condition:

The City utilized MSI monies to fund costs for certain projects. While the costs were considered allowable project expenditure in accordance with the strategic plan, the six projects totaling \$3,061,205 were not included in the FY 2022/23 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan approved by SBCTA.

Cause:

The City did not submit an amended CIP.

Effect:

Measure I resources were utilized for costs on projects that were not included in the current Five-Year CIP.

Recommendation:

We recommend the City enhance its procedures to ensure that projects that have activity are included in the current Five-Year CIP. This can be achieved through submitting a revised 5-Year CIP to SBCTA as necessary.

View of Responsible Officials:

Due to the change in personnel, a revised 5-year CIP was not submitted as required. Going forward, the City will create a comprehensive checklist to ensure that all eligible projects are submitted and reflected on the 5-year CIP and any occurring adjustments will be submitted through a revised 5-year CIP.

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2023-02 Restatement of Beginning Fund Balance Material Weakness

Criteria:

Management is responsible for ensuring financial activity is recorded accurately and on a timely basis. Each year, the beginning fund balance (equity) should be reconciled to the previous audit reports to ensure accuracy of the financial activity each year.

Condition:

During procedures over beginning fund balance, we noted that the beginning fund balance did not reconcile to the previous year Measure I audit fund balance by \$72,692.

Cause:

The condition above was caused by adjustments made by the City after the prior year's audit.

Effect:

The fund financial statements were restated to fairly state fund balance as of July 1, 2022.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the City enhance its closing process to ensure that beginning fund balance ties to the prior fiscal year ending fund balance, and that entries to correct balances are made on a timely basis.

View of Responsible Officials:

Due to the change in personnel, the City's audited financials for FY2021-22 was in March-2023. The Measure I information was submitted to SBCTA auditors in December-2022 to meet SBCTA deadlines. Unfortunately, additional changes were made to the City's financials to close the year. Going forward, the City will improve procedures to ensure that year-end closing is completed in a timely manner and pertaining reports will be reviewed for accuracy.

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None reported.