

March 27, 2015

Mr. Brian P. Gabler, Director of Economic Development/Assistant City Manager  
City of Simi Valley  
2929 Tapo Canyon Road  
Simi Valley, CA 93063

Dear Mr. Gabler:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (m), the City of Simi Valley Successor Agency (Agency) submitted a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 15-16A) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on February 23, 2015 for the period of July 1 through December 31, 2015. Finance has completed its review of your ROPS 15-16A, which may have included obtaining clarification for various items.

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

- Item No. 25 – The total outstanding balance for the City of Simi Valley Loan is overstated. The outstanding balance should be updated every 6-months to reflect the outstanding balance for the current ROPS period. The Agency was approved and funded for the loan repayment in the amount of \$1,268,254 on previous ROPS. Finance has recalculated the total loan outstanding to be approximately \$9,829,202, and has therefore reduced the outstanding loan balance reported on the Agency's ROPS Detail Form by \$1,322,307. Additionally, we are approving loan repayments of \$1,882,944 on the current ROPS; therefore, the outstanding loan balance on the subsequent ROPS should also be updated to reflect the loan repayment made during the ROPS 15-16A period.
- Item No. 27 – Pass Through payment to the Ventura County Superintendent of Schools (VCSS) in the amount of \$110,369 of Other Funds is not allowed. During the review process the Agency was not able to provide sufficient documentation to substantiate the requested amount. To the extent the Agency can provide suitable documentation, such as the demand letter from VCSS, the Agency may be able to obtain Other Funding on future ROPS. Therefore, Other Funds in the amount of \$110,369 is not allowed during this period.

During our review, which may have included obtaining financial records, Finance determined the Agency possesses funds that should be used prior to requesting Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF). Pursuant to HSC section 34177 (l) (1) (E), RPTTF may be used as a funding source, but only to the extent no other funding source is available or when payment

from property tax revenues is required by an enforceable obligation. The Agency provided financial records that displayed available Reserve Balances of \$1,378.

Therefore, with the Agency's concurrence, the funding source for the following item has been reclassified to Reserve Balances in the amounts specified below:

- Item No. 17 – 2003 Tax Allocation Bonds. The Agency requests \$1,534,191 of RPTTF; however, Finance is reclassifying \$1,378 to Reserve Balances. This item is an enforceable obligation for the ROPS 15-16A period. However, the obligation does not require payment from property tax revenues and the Agency has \$1,378 in available Reserve Balances. Therefore, Finance is approving RPTTF in the amount of \$1,532,813 and the use of Reserve Balances in the amount of \$1,378.

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 January through June 2014 period. The amount of RPTTF approved in the table below reflects the prior period adjustment self-reported by the Agency. 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. Proposed CAC adjustments were not received in time for inclusion in this letter; therefore, the amount of RPTTF approved in the table below only reflects the prior period adjustment self-reported by the Agency.

Except for the items denied in whole or in part or items that have been reclassified, Finance is not objecting to the remaining items listed on your ROPS 15-16A. If you disagree with the determination with respect to any items on your ROPS 15-16A, you may request a Meet and Confer within five business days of the date of this letter. The Meet and Confer process and guidelines are available at Finance's website below:

[http://www.dof.ca.gov/redevelopment/meet\\_and\\_confer/](http://www.dof.ca.gov/redevelopment/meet_and_confer/)

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$3,540,757 as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table below:

<b>Approved RPTTF Distribution</b>	
<b>For the period of July through December 2015</b>	
Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations	3,417,135
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations	125,000
<b>Total RPTTF requested for obligations on ROPS</b>	<b>\$ 3,542,135</b>
<b>Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations</b>	<b>3,417,135</b>
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<u>Cash Balances - Item reclassified to Reserve Balances</u>	
Item No. 17	(1,378)
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<b>Total RPTTF authorized for non-administrative obligations</b>	<b>\$ 3,415,757</b>
<b>Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations</b>	<b>125,000</b>
<b>Total RPTTF authorized for administrative obligations</b>	<b>\$ 125,000</b>
<b>Total RPTTF authorized for obligations</b>	<b>\$ 3,540,757</b>
ROPS 14-15A prior period adjustment	0
<b>Total RPTTF approved for distribution</b>	<b>\$ 3,540,757</b>

Please refer to the ROPS 15-16A 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, 2015. 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 the 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 agency in the RPTTF.

Pursuant to HSC section 34177 (a) (3), only those payments listed on an approved ROPS may be made by the successor agency from the funds specified in the ROPS. However, if the Agency needs to make payments for approved obligations from another funding source, HSC section 34177 (a) (4) requires the Agency to first obtain oversight board approval.

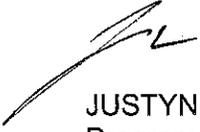
To the extent proceeds from bonds issued after December 31, 2010 exist and are not encumbered by an enforceable obligation pursuant to HSC section 34171 (d),

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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 Beliz Chappuie, Supervisor or Satveer Ark, Lead Analyst at (916) 445-1546.

Sincerely,



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Program Budget Manager

cc: Ms. Jody Kershberg, Deputy Director/Fiscal Services, City of Simi Valley  
Ms. Rhoda Farrell, Property Tax Fiscal Manager, Ventura County  
California State Controller's Office