



November 18, 2015

Mr. Kurt Christiansen, Economic and Community Development Director
City of Azusa
213 East Foothill Boulevard
Azusa, CA 91702

Dear Mr. Christiansen:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (m) (1) (A), the City of Azusa Successor Agency (Agency) submitted a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period January 1 through June 30, 2016 (ROPS 15-16B) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on October 7, 2015. Finance has completed its review of the ROPS 15-16B.

Based on our review, Finance is approving all of the items listed on the ROPS 15-16B at this time.

In addition, the Agency requested to decrease the six-month funding request for Item No. 34 – Housing Administrative Allocation from \$150,000 to zero. As such, the total Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) requested has been reduced by \$150,000

The administrative costs claimed are within the fiscal year administrative cap pursuant to HSC section 34171 (b) (2). However, Finance notes the OB has 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 use adequate discretion when evaluating the administrative resources required to successfully wind-down the Agency.

Pursuant to HSC section 34186 (a) (1), the Agency was required to report on the ROPS 15-16B form the estimated obligations versus actual payments (prior period adjustment) associated with the January through June 2015 period (ROPS 14-15B). HSC section 34186 (a) (1) also specifies the prior period adjustment self-reported by the Agency is subject to review by the county auditor-controller (CAC). The amount of Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) approved in the table on the following page includes the prior period adjustment resulting from the CAC's review of the Agency's self-reported prior period adjustment.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$826,247 as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table on the following page:

Approved RPTTF Distribution	
For the period of January through June 2016	
Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations	1,499,275
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations	125,000
Total RPTTF requested for obligations on ROPS 15-16B	\$ 1,624,275
RPTTF adjustment to non-administrative obligations	(150,000)
Total RPTTF adjustments	\$ (150,000)
Total RPTTF authorized for non-administrative obligations	1,349,275
Total RPTTF authorized for administrative obligations	125,000
Total RPTTF authorized for obligations	\$ 1,474,275
ROPS 14-15B prior period adjustment	(648,028)
Total RPTTF approved for distribution	\$ 826,247

On the ROPS 15-16B form, the Agency reported cash balances and activity for the period January 1 through December 31, 2015. Finance will perform a review of the Agency's self-reported cash balances on an ongoing basis. Please be prepared to submit financial records and bridging documents to support the cash balances reported upon request. If it is determined the Agency possesses cash balances that are available to pay approved obligations, HSC section 34177 (l) (1) (E) requires these balances be used prior to requesting RPTTF.

Please refer to the ROPS 15-16B schedule used to calculate the total RPTTF approved for distribution:

<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 January 1 through June 30, 2016. This determination only applies to items when 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 ROPS periods. All items listed on a future ROPS are subject to review and may be denied even if it was not denied 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 statutes. 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.

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Sincerely,



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