

November 5, 2015

Mr. John Meyer, Redevelopment and Housing Director
City of Vista
200 Civic Center Drive
Vista, CA 92084

Dear Mr. Meyer:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (m), the City of Vista 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 September 24, 2015. Finance has completed its review of the ROPS 15-16B.

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

- Claimed administrative costs exceed the allowance by \$88,538. HSC section 34171 (b) (2) limits the fiscal year 2015-16 administrative expenses to three percent of the RPTTF allocated or \$250,000, whichever is greater. As a result, the Agency is eligible for \$310,038 in administrative expenses for fiscal year 2015-16. The San Diego County Auditor-Controller (CAC) distributed \$202,000 for the July through December 2015 period, leaving a balance of \$108,038 available for the January through June 2016 period. While the Agency is requesting \$196,576 for the ROPS 15-16B, only \$108,038 is eligible for funding on the ROPS. Therefore, Finance is approving \$51,776 in Other Funds as requested, and \$56,262 in RPTTF to fund the Agency's administrative cost.

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 CAC. The amount of 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.

In addition, Finance noted on the Agency's ROPS 14-15B prior period adjustment worksheet, the Agency's expenditures exceeded Finance's authorization for Item No. 41 in the amount of \$232. Per HSC section 34177 (a) (3), only those payments listed on a ROPS may be made by the Agency from the funds specified on the ROPS up to the amount authorized by Finance. HSC sections 34177 (a) (4) and 34173 (h) (1) provide mechanisms when Agency payments must exceed the amounts authorized by Finance. Please ensure the proper

expenditure authority is received from your oversight board and Finance prior to making payments on enforceable obligations.

Except for the items denied in whole or in part, Finance is not objecting to the remaining items listed on your ROPS 15-16B. If you disagree with Finance's determination with respect to any items on your ROPS 15-16B, except for those items which are the subject of litigation disputing Finance's previous or related determinations, 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/

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$3,671,269 as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table below:

Approved RPTTF Distribution For the period of January through June 2016	
Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations	4,465,404
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations	144,800
Total RPTTF requested for obligations on ROPS 15-16B	\$ 4,610,204
Total RPTTF requested for non-administrative obligations	4,465,404
Total RPTTF authorized for non-administrative obligations	\$ 4,465,404
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations	144,800
Administrative costs in excess of the cap (see Admin Cost Cap table below)	(88,538)
Total RPTTF authorized for administrative obligations	\$ 56,262
Total RPTTF authorized for obligations	\$ 4,521,666
ROPS 14-15B prior period adjustment	(850,397)
Total RPTTF approved for distribution	\$ 3,671,269

Administrative Cost Cap Calculation	
Total RPTTF for 15-16A (July through December 2015)	5,869,210
Total RPTTF for 15-16B (January through June 2016)	4,465,404
Less approved unfunded obligations from prior periods	0
Total RPTTF for fiscal year 2015-2016	10,334,614
Administrative cost cap for fiscal year 2015-16 (Greater of 3% of Total RPTTF or \$250,000)	310,038
Administrative allowance for ROPS 15-16A (July through December 2015)	(202,000)
Other Funds requested for administrative costs	(51,776)
Remaining administrative cost cap eligible for RPTTF for ROPS 15-16B	56,262
ROPS 15-16B administrative obligations after Finance adjustments	144,800
Administrative costs in excess of the cap	\$ (88,538)

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.

Please direct inquiries to Wendy Griffe, Supervisor, or Jared Smith, Lead Analyst, at (916) 445-1546.

Sincerely,



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Program Budget Manager

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Mr. Jon Baker, Senior Auditor and Controller Manager, San Diego County