



October 26, 2015

Ms. Gita Mehirdel, Finance Manager
City of Walnut Creek
1666 North Main Street
Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Dear Ms. Mehirdel:

Subject: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (m) (1) (A), the City of Walnut Creek 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 18, 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.

Although the administrative costs claimed are within the fiscal year administrative cap pursuant to HSC section 34171 (b) (2), Finance notes the oversight board has approved an amount that appears excessive, given the number and nature of the other obligations listed in the ROPS. HSC section 34179 (i) requires the oversight board to exercise a fiduciary duty to the taxing entities. Therefore, Finance encourages the oversight board to apply adequate oversight 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). Proposed CAC adjustments were not received in time for inclusion in this letter; therefore, the amount of Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) approved in the table below only reflects the Agency's self-reported prior period adjustment, as adjusted by Finance.

The Agency originally reported there were no administrative costs; however, it is our understanding the Agency actually incurred expenditures totaling \$11,516 for administrative costs. Therefore, the Finance has adjusted the self-reported prior period adjustment of \$125,000 by \$11,516.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$549,478 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	537,962
Total RPTTF requested for administrative obligations	125,000
Total RPTTF requested for obligations on ROPS 15-16B	\$ 662,962
Total RPTTF authorized for non-administrative obligations	537,962
Total RPTTF authorized for administrative obligations	125,000
Total RPTTF authorized for obligations	\$ 662,962
Self-reported ROPS 14-15B prior period adjustment (PPA)	(125,000)
Finance adjustment to ROPS 14-15B PPA	11,516
Total ROPS 14-15B PPA	(113,484)
Total RPTTF approved for distribution	\$ 549,478

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 Nichelle Thomas, Supervisor or Michael Barr, Lead Analyst at (916) 445-1546.

Sincerely,



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Program Budget Manager

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cc: Ms. Laura Simpson, Housing Manager, City of Walnut Creek
Mr. Bob Campbell, Auditor-Controller, Contra Costa County