City of Dublin

Measure F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fee Fund

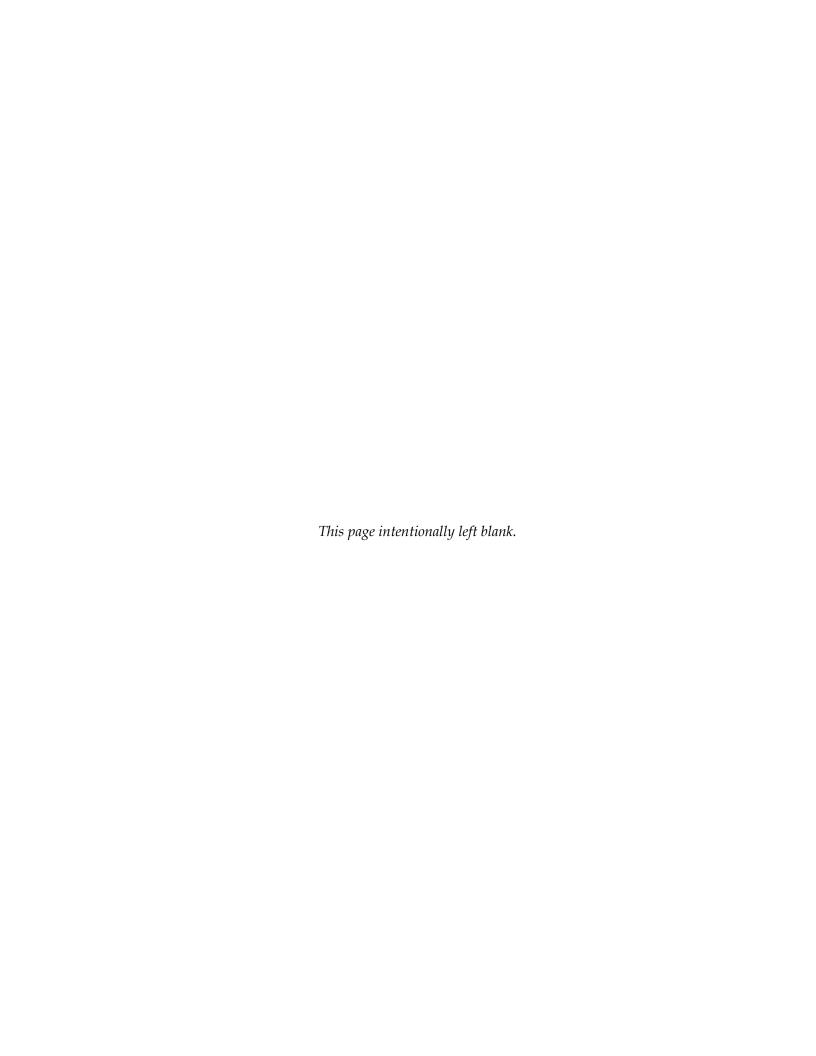
Dublin, California

Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Reports

For the year ended June 30, 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Dublin

Dublin, California

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the Measure F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fee Fund (VRF Fund) of the City of Dublin, 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 accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the VRF Fund of the City, as of June 30, 2023, and the changes in financial position 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 (GAAS) 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 for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the VRF Fund of the City and to meet our other 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.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The City's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the VRF Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

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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 GAAS 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 GAAS, 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 VRF Fund'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.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the VRF Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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.

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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 12, 2023 on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and 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 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.

Badawi & Associates, CPAs Berkeley, California

December 12, 2023

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Measure F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fee Fund

Balance Sheet

June 30, 2023

| ASSETS: | |
|---|---------------|
| Cash and investments | \$ 232,069 |
| Direct local distribution program receivables | 62,045 |
| Total assets | \$ 294,114 |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE: | |
| Liabilities: | |
| Other accrued liabilities | \$ 4,903 |
| Total liabilities | 4,903 |
| Fund Balance: | |
| Restricted | 289,211 |
| Total fund balance | 289,211 |
| Total liabilities and fund balance | \$ 294,114 |

City of Dublin

Measure F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fee Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the year ended June 30, 2023

| REVENUES: | |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Measure F revenues | \$ 337,637 |
| Use of money and property | 5,558 |
| Total revenues | 343,195 |
| EXPENDITURES: | |
| Contractual services | 200,000 |
| Streets and roads | 96,418 |
| Total expenditures | 296,418 |
| REVENUES OVER | |
| EXPENDITURES | 46,777 |
| FUND BALANCE: | |
| Beginning of year | 242,434 |
| End of year | \$ 289,211 |

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

All transactions of the Measure F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fees are reported in a special revenue fund (VRF Fund) of the City of Dublin, California (City). The special revenue fund is included as part of the State Construction and Maintenance Fund in the basic financial statements of the City. The Fund is used to account for the City's revenues earned and expenditures incurred under the City's various street maintenance and construction projects. The accompanying financial statements are for the VRF Fund only and are not intended to fairly present the financial position of the City.

B. Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

The accompanying financial statements are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are generally recorded when measurable and available, and expenditures are recorded when the related liabilities are incurred.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus, wherein only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of governmental funds present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

C. Fund Accounting

The operations of the VRF Fund are accounted for as part of the State Construction and Maintenance Fund. Funds are separate accounting entities with a set of self-balancing accounts which comprise their assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures.

D. 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 disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities 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.

E. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

The City pools its available cash for investment purposes. The City's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturity of three months or less from date of acquisition. Cash and cash equivalents are combined with investments and displayed as Cash and Investments.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

E. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Investments, Continued

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 40, Deposit and Investment Disclosures (Amendment of GASB No. 3), certain disclosure requirements for Deposits and Investment Risks were made in the following areas:

- Interest Rate Risk
- Credit Risk
 - □ Overall
 - Custodial Credit Risk
 - Concentrations of Credit Risk

In addition, other disclosures are specified including use of certain methods to present deposits and investments, highly sensitive investments, credit quality at year-end and other disclosures.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools, highly liquid market investments with maturities of one year or less at time of purchase are stated at amortized cost.

The City participates in an investment pool managed by the State of California titled Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) which has invested a portion of the pooled funds in Structured Notes and Asset-Backed Securities. LAIF's investments are subject to credit risk with the full faith and credit of the State of California collateralizing these investments. In addition, these Structured Notes and Asset-Backed Securities are subject to market risk as to change in interest rates.

F. Revenues and Receivables

During the course of normal operations, the fund carries various receivable balances for intergovernmental revenue and interest. Revenues are recorded when received in cash, except revenues subject to accrual (generally 60 days after year-end) are recognized when due. The primary revenue sources, which have been treated as susceptible to accrual by the fund, are Measure F vehicle registration fees.

2. MEASURE F ALAMEDA COUNTY VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES

The Measure F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fee (VRF) Program was approved by the voters in November 2010, with 63 percent of the vote. The fee will generate about \$11 million per year by a \$10 per year vehicle registration fee. The collection of the \$10 per year vehicle registration fee started in the first week of May 2011.

The goal of the VRF program is to sustain the County's transportation network and reduce traffic congestion and vehicle related pollution. The program includes four categories of projects:

- Local Road Improvement and Repair Program (60 percent)
- Transit for Congestion Relief (25 percent)
- Local Transportation Technology (10 percent)
- Pedestrian and Bicyclist Access and Safety Program (5 percent)

3. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The VRF Fund's cash and investments are pooled with the City's cash and investments in order to generate optimum interest income.

The City pools its available cash for investment purposes. The City's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturity of three months or less from date of acquisition. Cash and cash equivalents are combined with investments and displayed as Cash and Investments.

VRF Fund had the following cash and investments at June 30, 2023:

Cash and Investments

\$ 232,069

A. Investments

The City's Investment Policy and the California Government Code allow the City to invest in the following, provided the credit ratings of the issuers are acceptable to the City; and approved percentages and maturities are not exceeded. The table below also identifies certain provisions of the California Government Code, or the City's Investment Policy where the City's Investment Policy is more restrictive.

| | | | Maximum | Maximum |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| | Maximum | Minimum Credit | Percentage of | Investment In |
| Authorized Investment Type | Maturity | Quality | Portfolio | One Issuer |
| Negotiable Certificates of Deposit | 5 years | A-1 | 30% | 20% |
| Bankers' Acceptance | 180 days | A-1 | 40% | 20% of Portfolio |
| U.S. Treasury Bills and Notes | 10 years | N/A | No Limit | No Limit |
| U.S. Government Agency Securities | 10 years | N/A | 25% for callable | 35% |
| California Asset Management Program | N/A | N/A | No Limit | No Limit |
| Commercial Paper | 270 days | A-1 | 25% | 20% of Portfolio |
| Time Certificates of Deposit | 1 year | N/A | 10% | No Limit |
| State Local Agency Investment Fund | N/A | N/A | No Limit | No Limit |
| Asset-Backed Securities | 5 years | AA | 20% | 5% |
| Medium-Term Notes | 5 years | A | 30% | 5% |
| Mutual Funds | N/A | AAA | 20% | 10% |
| Money Market Funds | N/A | AAA | 20% | No Limit |
| Municipal Securities | 10 years | A | No Limit | 5% |
| Supranationals | 5 years | AA | 30% | 10% |

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools, investments were stated at fair value using the aggregate method in all funds and component units. The City's investments are carried at fair market value as required by generally accepted accounting principles. The City accounts for all changes in fair value that occurred during the year and are reflected in the fund balance for the fiscal year. These investment value changes are unrealized since the City's policy is to hold and buy investments until maturity dates.

3. CASH AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

B. Risk Disclosures

<u>Interest Rate Risk</u> – Interest rate risk is the fluctuation in fair value of investment due to changes in interest rates. The City's exposure to losses caused by rising interest rates is minimized by limiting the average maturity of the City's investment not to exceed five years.

<u>Credit Risk</u> – Credit risk is the risk of loss of value of a security or investment due to downgrade of its rating due to a change in the ability of the issuer to fulfill its debt obligation. With the exception of U.S. Treasury securities and authorized pools, no more than 50% of the City's total investment portfolio will be invested in a single security type or with a single financial institution to reduce the City's exposure to credit risks.

<u>Custodial Credit Risk</u> – The custodial credit risk for an investment is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the City will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. None of the City's investments were subject to custodial credit risk.

C. Local Agency Investment Fund

The City is a voluntary participant in the Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) that is regulated by California Government Code Section 16429 under the oversight of the Treasurer of the State of California. The City's investments with LAIF at June 30, 2023, include a portion of the pool funds invested in Structured Notes and Asset-Backed Securities. These investments include the following:

<u>Structured Notes</u> – are debt securities (other than asset-backed securities) whose cash flow characteristics (coupon rate, redemption amount, or stated maturity) depend upon one or more indices and/or have embedded forwards or options.

<u>Asset-Backed Securities</u> – the bulk of which are mortgage-backed securities, entitle their purchasers to receive a share of the cash flows from a pool of assets such as principal and interest repayments from a pool of mortgages (such as Collateralized Mortgage Obligations) or credit card receivables.

As of June 30, 2023, the City had invested in LAIF, which had invested 2.78% of the pool investment funds in Structured Notes and Asset-Backed Securities as compared to 1.88% in the previous year. The LAIF fair value factor of .984828 was used to calculate the fair value of the investments in LAIF.

4. DIRECT LOCAL DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM RECEIVABLES

The receivables represent the Measure F VRF revenues for the fiscal year received from the Alameda County Transportation Commission after June 30, 2023.

5. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The City participates in several grant programs. These programs are subject to any further examination by the grantors and the amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time. The City expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.



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

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council of the City of Dublin Dublin, California

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 F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fee Fund (VRF Fund) of the City of Dublin, 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 December 12, 2023.

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. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the VRF Fund's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with 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 no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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.

Badawi & Associates, CPAs Berkeley, California

December 12, 2023



REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE FOR MEASURE F

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Dublin Dublin, California

Report on Compliance for Measure F

Opinion on Compliance for Measure F

We have audited City of Dublin's (City) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the agreement between the City and Alameda County Transportation Commission that could have a direct and material effect on its Measure F Alameda County Vehicle Registration Fee Fund (VRF Fund) for the year ended June 30, 2023.

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its VRF Fund for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Measure F

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States (*Government Auditing Standards*); and the agreement between the City and Alameda County Transportation Commission. Our responsibilities under those standards and are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the City and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with 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 opinion on compliance for the City's VRF Fund. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the VRF Fund's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the City's VRF Fund.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the VRF Fund's compliance based on our audit. 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 GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the agreement between the City and Alameda County Transportation Commission will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the VRF Fund's compliance with the requirements of the agreement between the City and Alameda County Transportation Commission.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the agreement between the City and Alameda County Transportation Commission, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, 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 VRF Fund's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the City's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order
 to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal
 control over compliance in accordance with the agreement between the City and Alameda County
 Transportation Commission, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of
 City's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined below. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

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A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of the agreement between the City and the Alameda County Transportation Commission on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of the agreement between the City and the Alameda County Transportation Commission will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of the agreement between the City and the Alameda County Transportation Commission that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the agreement between the City and the Alameda County Transportation Commission. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Badawi & Associates, CPAs Berkeley, California

December 12, 2023