COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUND

Financial Statements and Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

(With Independent Auditor's Reports Thereon)



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles, California

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Local Transportation Fund, an agency fund of the County of Los Angeles, California (County), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Governmental Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Local Transportation Fund of the County, as of June 30, 2017, and the changes in fiduciary assets and liabilities thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 2, the financial statements present only the Local Transportation Fund and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the County, as of June 30, 2017, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplemental Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplemental information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or to provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Local Transportation Fund's financial statements. The schedules listed in the table of contents as supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 8, 2018, on our consideration of the County's internal control over financial reporting related to the Local Transportation Fund, 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 the County's 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 County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance as it relates to the Local Transportation Fund.

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Los Angeles, California February 8, 2018

Local Transportation Fund Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Management's discussion and analysis of the County of Los Angeles, California, Local Transportation Fund provides a narrative overview of the Local Transportation Fund's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2017. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

Financial Highlights

- During the current year, the Local Transportation Fund's collections held in trust decreased by \$5.1 million to \$282.2 million.
- Sales taxes of \$385.2 million were received from the State of California and \$2.7 million was earned on investments.
- Transportation subsidies totaling \$384.6 million were paid to 69 different cities and jurisdictions and \$8.5 million was distributed for administrative and planning purposes.
- The Local Transportation Fund continues to have no short or long-term debt.

Financial Statement Overview

The Local Transportation Fund is accounted for as an agency fund, a fiduciary type fund of the County of Los Angeles (County). In its custodial capacity, the County holds the Local Transportation Fund assets in connection with its fiduciary responsibilities to other local governments, in this case, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA). Agency funds do not measure the results of operations, but assets and liabilities are recorded on an accrual basis, and agency fund assets equal liabilities.

In addition to the financial statements, this report contains notes to the financial statements, which provide additional information that is essential for a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. Supplementary schedules of activities and allocations and disbursements are also presented for additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

Financial Analysis

Statement of Fiduciary Net Position (In thousands)

	June 30,					
		2017	2016			
Assets						
Pooled cash and investments	\$	237,528	\$	239,937		
Sales tax receivable		43,383		46,685		
Interest receivable		1,269		691		
Total Assets	\$	282,180	\$	287,313		
Liabilities						
Collections held in trust	\$	282,180	\$	287,313		

Local Transportation Fund Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) – (Continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Total assets of the Local Transportation Fund decreased by 1.8% from the prior year to \$282.2 million, due to a \$2.4 million decrease in pooled cash and investments, a \$3.3 million decrease in sales taxes receivable, and a \$0.6 million increase in interest receivable. Pooled cash and investments decreased as a result of significant increases in transportation subsidies to other local governments during the year.

Contacting the Local Transportation Fund's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide citizens and other interested parties with a general overview of the Local Transportation Fund's finances and to demonstrate accountability for the money received. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to the County of Los Angeles, Department of Auditor-Controller, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012.

Local Transportation Fund Statement of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2017

Assets:

Pool cash and investments (note 3) Sales taxes receivable Interest receivable	\$	237,527,895 43,383,270 1,268,632
Total assets	\$	282,179,797
Liabilities:	-	
Collections held in trust (note 4)	\$_	282,179,797

Local Transportation Fund Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities Year Ended June 30, 2017

Assets:	 July 1, 2016	 Additions	 Deductions	 June 30, 2017
Pool cash and investments	\$ 239,936,921	\$ 390,665,979	\$ 393,075,005	\$ 237,527,895
Sales taxes receivable	46,685,683	43,383,270	46,685,683	43,383,270
Interest receivable	690,741	1,268,632	690,741	1,268,632
Total assets	\$ 287,313,345	\$ 435,317,881	\$ 440,451,429	\$ 282,179,797
Liabilities:				
Collections held in trust	\$ 287,313,345	\$ 435,317,881	\$ 440,451,429	\$ 282,179,797

See Accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

Local Transportation Fund Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

(1) General

The Local Transportation Fund, an agency fund of the County of Los Angeles (County), was created in accordance with the provisions of the Transportation Development Act (the Act) as administered by the Department of Transportation, Division of Rail and Mass Transportation of the State of California. In accordance with provisions of the Act, sales tax distributions to the Local Transportation Fund are derived from $\frac{1}{4}\phi$ of the general retail sales tax collected in the County by the State Board of Equalization for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Disbursements from the Local Transportation Fund are made by the County upon receipt of written allocation and disbursement instructions issued in accordance with the Act's provisions by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA).

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Accounting

The Local Transportation Fund is accounted for as an agency fund of the County, a fiduciary type fund. In this custodial capacity, the County holds Local Transportation Fund assets in connection with its fiduciary responsibilities to other local governments. Under this basis of accounting, agency fund assets equal liabilities. Reimbursement of funds disbursed to claimants is recognized when the related fund liability is incurred. The fund liability is incurred once the Auditor-Controller receives the disbursement authorization from MTA.

(b) Measurement Focus

Fiduciary funds are accounted for using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Agency funds do not measure results of operations, but assets and liabilities are measured on the accrual basis. As such, assets and liabilities are recorded when incurred, regardless of the timing of cash flows.

(c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires that management make estimates and assumptions that may affect certain reported assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(3) Pooled Cash and Investments

The cash and investments are managed by the County Treasurer who reports on a monthly basis to the Board of Supervisors. In addition, Treasury investment activity is subject to an annual investment policy review, compliance oversight, quarterly financial reviews, and annual financial reporting.

The County's Investment Policy and the California Government Code permit investments including obligations of the United States Treasury, federal agencies, State and local agencies, municipalities, asset-backed securities, bankers' acceptances, commercial paper rated A-1 by Standard & Poor's Global Ratings Services or P-1 by Moody's Investors Service and F-1 by Fitch, negotiable certificates of deposits, medium-term notes, corporate notes, repurchase agreements, reverse repurchase agreements, time deposits, shares of beneficial interest of a Joint Powers Authority that invests in authorized securities, shares of beneficial interest issued by diversified management companies known as money market mutual funds registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the

Local Transportation Fund Notes to Financial Statements (Continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

(3) Pooled Cash and Investments (Continued)

State of California's Local Agency Investment Fund, interest rate swaps, and supranational institutions.

The Local Transportation Fund's share of the County Treasury's total pooled cash and investments is included in the accompanying statement of fiduciary net position under "Pooled Cash and Investments," which totaled \$237,527,895 at June 30, 2017, and represents approximately 0.8% of the total County Treasury pool. The County Treasury pool is not rated as of June 30, 2017. The weighted average to maturity of the County Treasury pool as of June 30, 2017 is 1.83 years. Additional information regarding the interest rate, credit, concentration of credit risks and fair value hierarchy of the County's cash and investments pool can be found in the notes to the County's basic financial statements.

(4) Collections Held in Trust

Collections held in trust can be separated to represent amounts which have been allocated to the various eligible cities and transportation agencies in accordance with the allocation and disbursement instructions, but which have not yet been claimed by the entity or disbursed by the Local Transportation Fund. Amounts reserved for disbursements to eligible cities and local agencies as of June 30, 2017 are described below:

Collections Held in Trust for Capital Reserves	\$ 139,554,501
Other Article 4 Disbursements Held in Trust	 142,625,296
Total Collections Held in Trust	\$ 282,179,797



Independent Auditor's 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*

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles, 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 Local Transportation Fund, an agency Fund of the County of Los Angeles, California (County), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 8, 2018. Our report includes an emphasis of matter paragraph indicating that the financial statements present only the Local Transportation Fund and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the County as of June 30, 2017, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the County's internal control over financial reporting (internal control), as it relates to the Local Transportation Fund, to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the County's internal control as it relates to the Local Transportation Fund.

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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Local Transportation 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, including applicable provisions of the Public Utilities Code (Sections 99230-99251), noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. 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.

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Los Angeles, California February 8, 2018

Local Transportation Fund Supplemental Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Receipts \$ Sales tax revenue 385,194,159 Reimbursement from claimants 1,312,636 2,747,298 Interest Total receipts 389,254,093 Disbursements Transportation subsidies 385,887,641 Administrative and planning 8,500,000 394,387,641 Total disbursements Deficiency of receipts over disbursements (5, 133, 548)\$

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Schedule II

Local Transportation Fund Supplemental Schedule of Allocations and Disbursements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

		Disbursements						
Claimant Tota		Administrative				Total	Total	Total
	Total Allocations	Planning	Article 3	Article 4	Article 8A	Disbursements	Reserves	Reimbursements
Agoura Hills	\$ 13,772	\$ - \$	13,772 \$	- \$	- \$	13,772 \$	- :	5 -
Alhambra	92,430	-	35,750	-	-	35,750	56,680	-
Arcadia Transit	313,705	-	-	275,429	-	275,429	38,276	-
Artesia	11,177	-	-	-	-	-	11,177	-
Avalon	155,107	-	-	-	150,107	150,107	5,000	-
Azusa	67,395	-	34,640	-	-	34,640	32,755	-
Baldwin Park	151,051	-	100,000	-	-	100,000	51,051	-
Bell	52,372	-	28,420	-	-	28,420	23,952	-
Bell Gardens	28,416	-	-	-	-	-	28,416	-
Bellflower	100,174	-	48,421	-	-	48,421	51,753	-
Beverly Hills	23,089	-	-	-	-	-	23,089	-
Bradbury	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Burbank	160,325	-	90,040	-	-	90,040	70,285	-
Calabasas	49,054	-	33,000	-	-	33,000	16,054	-
Carson	120,615	-	58,898	-	-	58,898	61,717	-
Cerritos	144,964	-	111,850	-	-	111,850	33,114	-
Claremont	631,658	-	35,000	409,227	-	444,227	187,431	-
Commerce	362,957	-	8,667	354,290	-	362,957	-	-
Compton	65,266	-	65,266	-	-	65,266	-	-
Covina	54,391	-	22,000	-	-	22,000	32,391	-
Cudahy	85,344	-	69,252	-	-	69,252	16,092	-
Culver City, City of	26,361	-	26,361	-	-	26,361	-	-
Culver City Muni Bus Lines	5,165,678	-	-	5,165,678	-	5,165,678	-	-
Diamond Bar	37,553	-	-	-	-	-	37,553	-
Downey	106,712	-	31,250	-	-	31,250	75,462	-
Duarte	14,482	-	14,482	-	-	14,482	-	-
El Monte	99,704	-	23,000	-	-	23,000	76,704	-
El Segundo	11,277	-	-	-	-	-	11,277	-
Foothill Transit	22,940,811	-	-	22,940,811	-	22,940,811	-	-
Gardena	5,213,000	-	38,289	5,134,677	-	5,172,966	40,034	-
Glendale	201,952	-	70,000	-	-	70,000	131,952	-
Glendora	93,613	-	90,798	-	-	90,798	-	2,815
Hawaiian Gardens	30,651	-	21,000	-	-	21,000	9,651	-
Hawthorne	58,079	-	58,079	-	-	58,079	-	-
Hermosa Beach	13,113	-	-	-	-	-	13,113	-
Hidden Hills	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Huntington Park	124,763	-	85,459	-	-	85,459	39,304	-
Inglewood	231,964	-	185,566	-	-	185,566	46,398	-

Schedule II

Local Transportation Fund

Supplemental Schedule of Allocations and Disbursements (Continued)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

				Disbursements				
Claimant	Total Allocations	Administrative Planning	Article 3	Article 4	Article 8A	Total Disbursements	Total Reserves	Total Reimbursements
Irwindale	15,000		10,000	_		10,000	5,000	
La Canada Flintridge	26,754	-	13,098	-	-	13,098	13,656	-
Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller	96,000	96,000	-	-	-	96,000	-	-
La Habra Heights	14,900	-	9,900	-	-	9,900	5,000	-
La Mirada	142,248	-	32,818	109,430	-	142,248	-	-
La Puente	58,179	-	50,000	-	-	50,000	8,179	-
La Verne	27,075	-	-	-	-	-	21,903	5,172
Los Angeles County MTA	271,780,184	5,368,441	-	266,411,743	-	271,780,184	-	-
Lakewood	54,068	-	54,068	-	-	54,068	-	-
Lancaster	6,393,382	-	1,768	-	-	1,768	6,391,614	-
Lawndale	22,929	-	-	-	-	-	22,142	787
Lomita	58,899	-	28,119	-	-	28,119	13,749	17,031
Long Beach/City of	313,181	-	313,181	-	-	313,181	-	-
Long Beach Public Transportation	22,838,861	-	-	22,838,861	-	22,838,861	-	-
L. A. City Treasurer	4,792,882	-	1,816,304	-	-	1,816,304	2,976,578	-
Public Works, Los Angeles County	6,929,625	-	2,160,801	-	4,280,545	6,441,346	488,279	-
Lynwood	92,298	-	45,000	-	-	45,000	47,298	-
Malibu	8,584	-	-	-	-	-	8,584	-
Manhattan Beach	23,705	-	-	-	-	-	23,705	-
Monrovia	118,853	-	100,000	-	-	100,000	18,853	-
Montebello	8,558,592	-	-	8,142,925	-	8,142,925	415,667	-
Monterey park	41,126	-	-	-	-	-	41,126	-
Norwalk	3,041,814	-	57,482	2,913,330	-	2,970,812	71,002	-
Palmdale	6,241,547	-	-	-	6,137,530	6,137,530	104,017	-
Paramount	36,648	-	36,648	-	-	36,648	-	-
Pasadena	273,751	-	180,000	-	-	180,000	93,751	-
Pico Rivera	103,329	-	60,799	-	-	60,799	42,530	-
Pomona	189,056	-	88,079	-	-	88,079	100,977	-
Rancho Palos Verdes	28,210	-	-	-	-	-	28,210	-
Redondo Beach	836,037	-	121,845	703,281	-	825,126	10,911	-
Rolling Hills	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Rolling Hills Estates	5,463	-	-	-	-	-	5,463	-
Rosemead	36,459	-	-	-	-	-	36,459	-
San Dimas	43,010	-	20,000	-	-	20,000	23,010	-
San Fernando	27,918	-	11,635	-	-	11,635	16,283	-
San Gabriel	46,710	-	19,856	-	-	19,856	26,854	-
San Marino	12,215	-	-	-	-	-	8,901	3,314
Santa Clarita	13,608,395	-	139,785	-	5,717,281	5,857,066	6,476,180	1,275,149

Schedule II

Local Transportation Fund Supplemental Schedule of Allocations and Disbursements (Continued) For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

		Disbursements						
Claimant	Total Allocations	Administrative Planning	Article 3	Article 4	Article 8A	Total Disbursements	Total Reserves	Total Reimbursements
Santa Fe Springs	60,275	-	48,583	-	-	48,583	11,692	-
Santa Monica Bus Lines	26,874,914	-	-	20,874,571	-	20,874,571	6,000,000	343
So California Assoc of Governments	3,035,559	3,035,559	-	-	-	3,035,559	-	-
Sierra Madre	13,697	-	6,306	-	-	6,306	7,391	-
Signal Hill	15,190	-	7,500	-	-	7,500	7,690	-
South El Monte	43,157	-	29,999	-	-	29,999	13,158	-
South Gate	145,015	-	81,047	-	-	81,047	63,968	-
South Pasadena	28,559	-	11,205	-	-	11,205	17,354	-
Temple City	24,044	-	-	-	-	-	24,044	-
Torrance	6,322,687	-	-	6,224,354	-	6,224,354	98,333	-
Vernon	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Walnut	58,968	-	38,910	-	-	38,910	20,058	-
West Covina	79,845	-	-	-	-	-	71,820	8,025
West Hollywood	77,835	-	54,089	-	-	54,089	23,746	-
Westlake Village	5,595	-	5,595	-	-	5,595	-	-
Whittier	57,610		49,891			49,891	7,719	
Total	\$ 420,853,812	\$ 8,500,000 \$	7,103,571 \$	362,498,607 \$	16,285,463 \$	394,387,641 \$	25,153,535 \$	1,312,636