Transportation Development Act Local Transportation Fund Article 4, Section 99260 Public Utilities Code

Financial Statements

Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

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Board of Commissioners Ventura County Transportation Commission Camarillo, California

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Transportation Development Act ("TDA") Article 4 Fund ("TDA Fund") of the City of Simi Valley, California ("City"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the TDA Fund of the City, as of June 30, 2024, and the respective changes in financial position of the TDA Fund of the City 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 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 City and to meet our 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.

Emphasis of Matters

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements present only the TDA Fund of the City and do not purport to, and do not present fairly, the financial position of the City as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows 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.

Responsibilities of Management 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 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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* 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 generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, 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 TDA Fund of the City'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.

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.

Other Matters

Prior Year Comparative Information

The financial statements of the City as of June 30, 2023, were audited by other auditors. Those auditors expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements in its report dated March 14, 2024.

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary 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 basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic 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 provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated February 18, 2025 on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting for the TDA Fund and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 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.

Rancho Santa Margarita, California February 18, 2025

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Comparative Balance Sheets

June 30, 2024 and 2023

<u>Assets</u>	2024	2023		
Cash and investments (Note 3) Interest receivable Due from Transit	\$ 11,463,292 129,184	\$ 10,622,601 84,322 27,741		
Total assets	\$ 11,592,476	\$ 10,734,664		
<u>Liabilities and fund balance</u>				
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ -		
Total liabilities				
Fund balance - restricted	11,592,476	10,734,664		
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 11,592,476	\$ 10,734,664		

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Comparative Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Revenues: TDA Article 4 funds Interest income Fair value adjustment	\$ 6,236,663 396,983 258,743	\$ 6,039,077 235,608 (96,730)
Total revenues	6,892,389	6,177,955
Expenditures: Construction, maintenance, and engineering	-	
Total expenditures		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	6,892,389	6,177,955
Other financing uses: Transfers out (Note 5)	(6,034,577)	(5,384,348)
Total transfers	(6,034,577)	(5,384,348)
Net change in fund balance	857,812	793,607
Fund balance at beginning of year	10,734,664	9,941,057
Fund balance at end of year	\$ 11,592,476	\$ 10,734,664

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Notes to Financial Statements

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(1) General Information

The financial statements are intended to reflect the financial position and changes in financial position for the Transportation Development Act Local Transportation Fund pursuant to Article 4 ("TDA Fund") of the City of Simi Valley, California ("City") only.

Pursuant to Section 99260 of the California Public Utilities Code, Article 4 monies may be used for public transportation services, including the planning, acquisition of real property, construction of facilities and buildings, purchase and replacement of vehicles, and system operation, maintenance, and repair. Funding for this program was authorized by the Ventura County Transportation Commission ("VCTC").

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Fund Accounting

The accounts of the City are organized on the basis of funds and account groups. A fund is defined as an independent fiscal and accounting entity wherein operations of each fund are accounted for in a separate set of self-balancing accounts that record resources, related liabilities, obligations, reserves, and equity segregated for the purpose of carrying out specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations. The City accounts for the activity of the Article 4 funds in its TDA Fund, which is a Special Revenue Fund. Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report on a particular source of revenue.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Special Revenue Funds are accounted for using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, revenues are available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred.

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(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Revenue Recognition

Recognition of revenues arising from nonexchange transactions, which include revenues from taxes, certain grants, and contributions, is based on the primary characteristic from which the revenues are received by the City. For the City, funds received under TDA Article 4 possess the characteristic of a voluntary nonexchange transaction similar to a grant. Revenues under TDA Article 4 are recognized in the period when all eligibility requirements have been met.

A deferred inflow of resources arises when potential revenues do not meet both the measurable and availability criteria for recognition in the current period. Deferred inflows of resources also arise when the City receives resources before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualified expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the City has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred inflow of resources is removed from the balance sheet, and revenue is recognized.

Fund Balance

The components of the fund balances of governmental funds reflect the component classifications described below:

- Nonspendable Fund Balance this includes amounts that cannot be spent because they
 are either (a) not in spendable form, or (b) legally or contractually required to be
 maintained intact.
- Restricted Fund Balance this includes amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation.
- Committed Fund Balance this includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the City Council.
- Assigned Fund Balance this includes amounts that are intended to be used by the City for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.
- Unassigned Fund Balance this includes any deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

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(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

It is the City's policy that restricted resources will be applied first, followed by (in order of application) committed, assigned, and unassigned resources, in the absence of a formal policy adopted by the City Council.

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 certain amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

(3) Cash and Investments

The City has pooled its cash and investments in order to achieve a higher return on investments while facilitating management of cash. The balance in the pool account is available to meet current operating requirements. Cash in excess of current requirements is invested in various interest-bearing accounts and other investments for varying terms. The TDA Fund's cash and investments as of June 30, 2024 and 2023 were \$11,463,292 and \$10,622,601, respectively.

The TDA Fund's cash is deposited in the City's internal investment pool, which is reported at fair value. Interest income is allocated on the basis of average cash balances. Investment policies and associated risk factors applicable to the TDA Fund are those of the City and are included in the City's basic financial statements.

See the City's basic financial statements for disclosures related to cash and investments, including those disclosures relating to interest rate risk, credit rate risk, custodial credit risk, and concentration risk.

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(4) <u>Transportation Development Act Compliance Requirements</u>

The Transportation Development Act Local Transportation Fund is subject to the provisions pursuant to Section 6633.2, 6634 of the California Code of Regulation and Section 99268.5(c) of the Public Utilities Code.

A. Section 6634

Pursuant to Section 6634, a transit claimant is precluded from receiving monies from the Local Transportation Fund and the State Transit Assistance Fund in an amount which exceeds the claimant's capital and operating costs less the actual amount of fares received, the amount of local support required to meet the fare ratio, the amount of federal operating assistance, and the amount received during the year from a city or county to which the operator has provided services beyond its boundaries.

During the fiscal year 2023/24 and 2022/23 the funds received from the State Transit Assistance Fund complied with the above provision.

B. Section 6633.2 and 99268.5(c)

Section 6633.2 indicates that an operator providing transit services in urbanized areas shall be eligible for Local Transportation Funds if it maintains for the fiscal year, ratio of fare revenue to operating costs at least equal to 20.00%.

In addition, Section 99268.5(c) indicates that an operator providing specialized service for elderly and handicapped persons and regular public transportation shall be eligible for Local Transportation Funds if it maintains for the fiscal year, ratio of fare revenue to operating costs at least equal to 10.00%.

During the fiscal year 2023/24 and 2022/23 the City TDA 4 program complied with the above ratio requirement provision. The fare ratio calculation for the Fixed Route and Specialized Services is illustrated below.

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Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2024 and 2023

(4) <u>Transportation Development Act Compliance Requirements (Continued)</u>

The fare ratios for fiscal year 2023/24 are illustrated below:

		Specialized
	Fixed Route	<u>Services</u>
Fares and subsidy	\$ 252,057	\$ 91,990
Advertising revenues	57,000	-
Other local funds	8,515	2,904
Total farebox revenue before AB149 - federal funds	317,572	94,894
AB149 - federal funds (Note a)	974,251	243,015
Total farebox revenue	1,291,823	337,909
Operating expenses	6,873,445	3,528,836
Less: depreciation	(414,327)	(149,741)
Net operating expenses	\$ 6,459,118	\$ 3,379,095
Fare ratio	<u>20.00%</u>	<u>10.00%</u>
Required ratio	<u>20.00%</u>	<u>10.00%</u>

Notes:

⁽a) Per Assembly Bill 149, signed July 16, 2021, federal funds received to be authorized to be counted as "local funds" for purposes of calculating the farebox recovery ratio through the fiscal year 2022/23. Senate Bill 125 extended these exemptions through fiscal year 2025/26.

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(4) <u>Transportation Development Act Compliance Requirements (Continued)</u>

The fare ratios for fiscal year 2022/23 are illustrated below:

		Specialized
	Fixed Route	Services
Fares and subsidy	\$ 199,507	\$ 83,053
Advertising revenues	57,000	-
Other local funds	2,241	
Total farebox revenue before AB149 - federal funds	258,748	83,053
AB149 - federal funds (Note a)	948,919	214,717
Total farebox revenue	1,207,667	297,770
Operating expenses	6,521,207	3,134,870
Less: depreciation	(482,873)	(157,170)
Net operating expenses	\$6,038,334	\$2,977,700
Fare ratio	<u>20.00%</u>	<u>10.00%</u>
Required ratio	20.00%	10.00%
required ratio	<u> 20.00 70</u>	10.00 70

Notes:

(5) Transfers Out

During the fiscal years 2023/24 and 2022/23, a total amount of \$6,034,577 and \$5,384,348, respectively, was used for facilities provided for exclusive use of transportation services, including planning, acquisition of real property, construction of facilities and buildings, purchase and replacement of vehicles, and system operation, maintenance, and repair.

⁽a) Per Assembly Bill 149, signed July 16, 2021, federal funds received to be authorized to be counted as "local funds" for purposes of calculating the farebox recovery ratio through the 2022/23 fiscal year.

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(6) Restrictions

Funds received pursuant to the California Public Utilities Code §99260 (TDA Article 4), may only be used for facilities provided for exclusive use of transportation services, including planning, acquisition of real property, construction of facilities and buildings, purchase and replacement of vehicles, and system operation, maintenance, and repair. Restrictions for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 were as follows:

	FY 2024	FY 2023
Unspent TDA 4 revenues as of July 1	\$10,734,664	\$ 9,941,057
TDA Article 4 funds received	6,236,663	6,039,077
Interest income received	396,983	235,608
Fair value received	258,743	(96,730)
(Less) capital expenditures	(8,631)	(52,734)
(Less) operating expenditures	(6,025,946)	(5,331,614)
Unspent TDA 4 revenues as of June 30	\$11,592,476	<u>\$ 10,734,664</u>

(7) Contingencies

See the City's basic financial statements for disclosures related to contingencies including those relating to various legal actions, administrative proceedings, or claims in the ordinary course of operations.

(8) <u>Budgetary Data</u>

The City adopts an annual budget on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and utilizes an encumbrance system as a management control technique to assist in controlling expenditures and enforcing revenue provisions. Under this system, the current year expenditures are charged against appropriations. Accordingly, actual revenues and expenditures can be compared with related budget amounts without any significant reconciling items.

Required Supplementary Information

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - 2024 Budget and Actual

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Buc	laet				Fir	iance From nal Budget avorable
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		Original		Final		Actual	(Unfavorable)	
Revenues:								
TDA Article 4 funds	\$	4,500,000	\$	4,500,000	\$	6,236,663	\$	1,736,663
Interest income		2,000		2,000		396,983		394,983
Fair value adjustment		_		-		258,743		258,743
Total revenues		4,502,000		4,502,000		6,892,389		2,390,389
Expenditures:								
Construction, maintenance, and engineering		_		_		_		_
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Total expenditures		_		_		_		_
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Evenes of revenues over expenditures		4 502 000		4 500 000		6 000 200		2 200 200
Excess of revenues over expenditures		4,502,000		4,502,000		6,892,389	-	2,390,389
Other financing uses:								
Transfers out (Note 5)		(7,082,189)		(7,082,189)		(6,034,577)		1,047,612
Net change in fund balance	\$	(2,580,189)	\$	(2,580,189)		857,812	\$	3,438,001
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Fund balance at beginning of year						10,734,664		
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Fund balance at end of year					\$	11,592,476		
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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - 2023 Budget and Actual

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

		Bud	lget	t			Fi	riance From nal Budget Favorable
		Original		Final	Actual		(Unfavorable)	
Revenues:	_		_		_			
TDA Article 4 funds	\$	4,395,400	\$	4,395,400	\$	6,039,077	\$	1,643,677
Interest income		2,000		2,000		235,608		233,608
Fair value adjustment	_		_			(96,730)	_	(96,730)
Total revenues		4,397,400		4,397,400		6,177,955		1,780,555
Expenditures:								
Construction, maintenance, and engineering		<u> </u>						
Total expenditures				<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	_	4,397,400		4,397,400		6,177,955		1,780,555
Other financing uses:								
Transfers out (Note 5)		(5,384,348)	_	(5,384,348)		(5,384,348)		
Net change in fund balance	\$	(986,948)	\$	(986,948)		793,607	\$	1,780,555
Fund balance at beginning of year						9,941,057		
Fund balance at end of year					\$	10,734,664		



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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

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 Transportation Development Act Local Transportation Fund pursuant to Article 4 ("TDA Fund") of the City of Simi Valley, California ("City"), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's TDA Fund financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 18, 2025.

Report on 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) to determine the 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.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the TDA Fund of the City are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including §6666 of Part 21 of the California Code of Regulations, 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*, including §6666 of Part 21 of the California Code of Regulations, §99268 and §99268.5 of the Public Utilities Code.

Purpose of This Report

ASM LLP

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.

Rancho Santa Margarita, California February 18, 2025