

April 2, 2019

Ms. Maria Bemis, Finance Director City of Porterville 291 North Main Street Porterville, CA 93257

Dear Ms. Bemis:

Subject: 2019-20 Annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (o) (1), the City of Porterville Successor Agency (Agency) submitted an annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 (ROPS 19-20) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on January 17, 2019. Finance has completed its review of the ROPS 19-20.

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

Item No. 26 – ROPS 16-17 period unfunded obligation in the total outstanding amount of \$316,041 is not allowed. The County Auditor-Controller (CAC) reports the Agency received a Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) distribution equal to the amount Finance approved for ROPS 16-17. Consequently, the Agency had sufficient funds in the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund. Therefore, the item is not an enforceable obligation and the requested amount of \$316,041 from Reserve Balance funding is not allowed. Further, with the Agency's concurrence, this item has been retired.

Pursuant to HSC section 34186, successor agencies are required to report differences between actual payments and past estimated obligations. Reported differences in RPTTF are used to offset current RPTTF distributions. The amount of RPTTF approved in the table on Page 3 includes the prior period adjustment resulting from the CAC's review of the prior period adjustment form submitted by the Agency.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$461,698 as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table on Page 3 (see Attachment).

RPTTF distributions occur biannually, one distribution for the July 1 through December 31 period (ROPS A period), and one distribution for the January 1 through June 30 period (ROPS B period) based on Finance approved amounts. Since this determination is for the entire ROPS 19-20 period, the Agency is authorized to receive up to the maximum approved RPTTF through the combined ROPS A and B period distributions.

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Absent a Meet and Confer, this is our final determination regarding the obligations listed on the ROPS 19-20. This determination only applies to items when funding was requested for the 12-month period. If a denial by Finance in a previous ROPS is currently the subject of litigation, the item will continue to be denied until the matter is resolved.

The ROPS 19-20 form submitted by the Agency and this determination letter will be posted on our website:

## http://dof.ca.gov/Programs/Redevelopment/ROPS/

This determination is effective for the ROPS 19-20 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 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 RPTTF is the same as the amount of property tax increment available prior to the enactment of redevelopment dissolution law. Therefore, as a practical matter, the ability to fund the items on the ROPS with property tax increment is limited to the amount of funding available to the Agency in RPTTF.

Please direct inquiries to Cindie Lor, Supervisor, or Mathew Rios, Analyst, at (916) 322-2985.

Sincerely,

JEMNIFER WHITAKER Program Budget Manager

cc: Ms. Jenni Byers, Acting Community & Economic Development Director, City of Porterville Mr. Cass Cook, Auditor – Controller, Treasurer – Tax Collector, Tulare County

## **Attachment**

Approved RPTTF Distribution For the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020							
	ROPS A Period		ROPS B Period		ROPS 19-20 Total		
RPTTF Requested	\$	278,824	\$	250,990	\$		529,814
Administrative RPTTF Requested		0		0			0
Total RPTTF Requested		278,824		250,990			529,814
RPTTF Authorized		278,824		250,990			529,814
Administrative RPTTF Authorized		0		0			0
Total RPTTF Authorized for Obligations		278,824		250,990			529,814
Prior Period Adjustment		(68,116)		0			(68,116)
Total RPTTF Approved for Distribution	\$	210,708	\$	250,990	\$		461,698