

**CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA**  
**SINGLE AUDIT OF FEDERALLY ASSISTED**  
**GRANT PROGRAMS**

**JUNE 30, 2017**

CITY OF COSTA MESA

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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*

The Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council  
of the City of Costa Mesa  
Costa Mesa, 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 governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City of Costa Mesa, California (the City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 26, 2018.

**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 City'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 City'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 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*.

We noted a certain other matter that we have reported to the City Council in a separate letter dated January 26, 2018.

## **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 City'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 City's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*White Nelson Dick Evans LLP*

Irvine, California  
January 26, 2018

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH  
MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE  
REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND ON THE  
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

The Honorable Mayor and  
Members of the City Council  
of the City of Costa Mesa  
Costa Mesa, California

**Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program**

We have audited the City of Costa Mesa's (the City) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the City's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. The City's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

**Management's Responsibility**

Management is responsible for compliance with the federal statutes, regulations, and terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

**Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the City's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance.

## **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.

## **Report on Internal Control over Compliance**

Management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

*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 a federal program 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 a federal program 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 a federal program 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 consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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 Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

## **Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance**

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the City, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the City's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated January 26, 2018, which contained unmodified opinions on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements.

**Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by Uniform Guidance  
(Continued)**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the 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 basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

*White Nelson Dick Evans LLP*

Irvine, California  
January 26, 2018

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
AND  
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

CITY OF COSTA MESA

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

For the year ended June 30, 2017

Federal Grantor / Pass - Through Grantor / Program / Cluster Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number	Program Identification Number	Federal Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
<u>United States Department of Housing and Urban Development</u>				
Direct Assistance:				
Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)	14.218	B15-MC-06-0503 Program Income	\$ 488,020 29,000	\$ 133,202
Total Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)			<u>517,020</u>	<u>133,202</u>
HOME Investment Partnerships Program	14.239	M15-MC-06-0507 Program Income	214,032 41,000	-
Total HOME Investment Partnerships Program			<u>255,032</u>	<u>-</u>
Total United States Department of Housing and Urban Development			<u>772,052</u>	<u>133,202</u>
<u>United States Department of Justice</u>				
Direct Assistance:				
Equitable Sharing Program - Asset Forfeiture	16.922	N/A	706,307	-
Passed through the Orange County Sheriff's Department:				
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant	16.738	2015-DJ-BX-0226 2016-DJ-BX-0746	14,460 20,004	-
Total United States Department of Justice			<u>740,771</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>United States Department of Transportation</u>				
Passed through California Department of Transportation:				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	SRTSLNI-5312 (090) SRTSLNI-5312 (089) RPSTPLE-5312 (100)	478,645 683,412 506,782	- - -
Total passed through California Department of Transportation			<u>1,668,839</u>	<u>-</u>

(Continued)

See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

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SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
(CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2017

Federal Grantor / Pass - Through Grantor / Program / Cluster Title	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number	Program Identification Number	Federal Expenditures	Amount Provided to Subrecipients
<u>United States Department of Transportation (Continued)</u>				
Passed through Orange County Transportation Authority:				
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205	C-2-1889	\$ 1,305	\$ -
		C-2-1892	2,108	
		C-2-1891	19,975	-
Total passed through Orange County Transportation Authority			23,388	-
Total Highway Planning and Construction			1,692,227	-
Passed through California Office of Traffic Safety:				
State and Community Highway Safety	20.600	PT1728	28,998	-
Passed through California Office of Traffic Safety:				
Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for Driving While Intoxicated	20.608	PT16125	22,527	-
		PT1728	90,865	-
Total Minimum Penalties for Repeat Offenders for Driving While Intoxicated			113,392	-
Total United States Department of Transportation			1,834,617	-
<u>United States Department of Homeland Security</u>				
Passed through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services:				
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidential Declared Disasters)	97.036	USFS-BLM-NPS FWS-BIA	65,712	-
Passed through the Orange County Sheriff's Department:				
Emergency Management Performance Grant	97.042	059-00000	16,654	-
Passed through the City of Santa Ana:				
Homeland Security Grant Program	97.067	2015-00078	858	-
Total United States Department of Homeland Security			83,224	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 3,430,664	\$ 133,202

See accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

CITY OF COSTA MESA

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

For the year ended June 30, 2017

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION:

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the City of Costa Mesa (the City) under programs of the federal government as well as federal financial assistance passed through other government agencies for the year ended June 30, 2017. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the City, it is not intended to and does not present the financial statements of the City. The City's reporting entity is defined in Note 1 of the notes to the City's financial statements.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting for governmental funds and the accrual basis for proprietary funds, which is described in Note 1 of the notes to the City's financial statements. Expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

3. INDIRECT COST RATE:

The City has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

4. RELATIONSHIP TO COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT:

Amounts reported in the accompanying Schedule agree to amounts reported within the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

5. RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Amounts reported in the accompanying Schedule agree with amounts reported in federal financial reports.

6. CONTINGENCIES:

Under the terms of federal and state grants, additional audits may be requested by the grantor agencies and certain costs may be questioned as not being appropriate expenditures under the terms of the grants. Such audits could lead to a request for reimbursement to the grantor agencies.

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
(CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2017

7. SUBRECIPIENTS:

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the City disbursed federal funds to the following subrecipients under the Community Development Block Grants program (CFDA #14.218):

	<u>Amount Disbursed</u>
Community Senior Services - Congregate Meals	\$ 14,500
Community Senior Services - Home Delivered Meals	14,500
Youth Employment Services	14,500
Colette's Children's Home	17,052
Council on Aging	14,500
Families Forward	14,500
Mercy House	18,650
Elwyn California	4,000
Fair Housing Foundation	<u>21,000</u>
 Total Disbursed to Subrecipients	 <u>\$ 133,202</u>

CITY OF COSTA MESA

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For the year ended June 30, 2017

1. SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS:

**Financial Statements:**

Type of auditors' report issued:  
Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

Material weakness identified?                    \_\_\_ yes             x  no

Significant deficiency identified?            \_\_\_ yes             x  none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted: \_\_\_ yes             x  no

**Federal Awards:**

Internal control over major programs:

Material weakness identified?                    \_\_\_ yes             x  no

Significant deficiency identified?            \_\_\_ yes             x  none reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs:  
Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance 2 CFR Section 200.516(a)? \_\_\_ yes             x  no

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Numbers

14.218

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development -  
Community Development Block Grant

14.239

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development,  
Home Investment Partnerships Program

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$  750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?             x  yes            \_\_\_ no

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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS  
(CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2017

2. FINDINGS RELATING TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

None noted.

3. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS RELATING TO MAJOR FEDERAL AWARDS:

None noted.

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

For the year ended June 30, 2017

1. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT:

There were no findings reported for fiscal year 2015-2016.

2. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAM AUDIT:

There were no findings reported for fiscal year 2015-2016.