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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

The Auditor General of the State of Arizona and
The Honorable Mayor and City Council
of the City of Tempe, Arizona

We have examined the accompanying Annual Expenditure Limitation Report of City of Tempe, Arizona for the year ended June 30, 2015. The City's management is responsible for this report. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this report based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the report and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the Annual Expenditure Limitation Report of City of Tempe, Arizona referred to above presents, in all material respects, the information prescribed by the uniform expenditure reporting system as described in Note 1.

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CPAs and Business Consultants

February 5, 2016

**CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT - PART I
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

1.	<i>Economic Estimates Commission</i> expenditure limitation	\$300,050,818	
2.	Voter-approved alternative expenditure limitation (Approved - N/A)	-	
3.	Enter applicable amount from line 1 or 2		\$300,050,818
4.	Amount subject to the expenditure limitation (total amount from Part II, Line C)	292,497,152	
5.	Board-authorized expenditures necessitated by a disaster declared by the Governor and not approved by the voters (Article IX, section 20 [2] [a], Arizona Constitution)	-	
6.	Board-authorized expenditures necessitated by a disaster not declared by the Governor (Article IX, section 20 [2] [b], Arizona Constitution)	-	
7.	Prior-year voter-approved expenditures to exceed the expenditure limitation for the reporting fiscal year (Article IX, section 20 [2] [c], Arizona Constitution)	-	
8.	Subtotal	292,497,152	
9.	Board-authorized excess expenditures for the previous fiscal year necessitated by a disaster not declared by the Governor and not approved by the voters (Article IX, section 20 [2] [b], Arizona Constitution)	-	
10.	Total adjusted amount subject to the expenditure limitation		<u>292,497,152</u>
11.	Amount under the expenditure limitation		<u><u>\$7,553,666</u></u>

I hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the information contained in this report is accurate and in accordance with the requirements of the uniform expenditure reporting system.

Signature of Chief Fiscal Officer: 
 Name and Title: Kenneth Jones, Deputy City Manager-Chief Financial Officer
 Telephone No.: (480) 350-8504 Date: February 5, 2016

**CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT - PART II
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

Description	Governmental Funds	Enterprise Funds	Internal Service Funds	Total
A. Amounts reported on the Reconciliation, Line D	<u>\$362,046,739</u>	<u>\$ 99,137,016</u>	<u>\$ 30,252,436</u>	<u>\$491,436,191</u>
B. Less exclusions claimed:				
1. (a) Bond proceeds (Note 2)	35,220,824	10,869,212	-	46,090,036
(b) Debt service requirements on bonded indebtedness (Note 3)	59,763,778	29,576,082		89,339,860
(c) Debt service requirements on other long-term obligations (Note 4)	28,490	223,175	-	251,665
2. Grants and aid from the federal government (Note 11)	19,811,215	-	-	19,811,215
3. Amounts received from the state	263,328	-	-	263,328
4. Quasi-external interfund transaction (Note 5)	-	2,939,642	30,222,211	33,161,853
5. Highway user revenues in excess of fiscal year 1979-80 highway user revenues (Note 6)	7,149,439	-	-	7,149,439
6. Contracts with other political subdivisions (Note 7)	1,533,055	1,082,685	-	2,615,740
7. Reimbursements (Note 8)	255,904	-		255,904
8. Prior years' carryforward	-	-	-	-
9. Total exclusions claimed	<u>124,026,033</u>	<u>44,690,796</u>	<u>30,222,211</u>	<u>198,939,039</u>
C. Amount subject to the expenditure limitation. (If an individual fund type amount is negative, reduce exclusions claimed to net to zero.)	<u>\$ 238,020,706</u>	<u>\$ 54,446,220</u>	<u>\$ 30,225</u>	<u>\$ 292,497,152</u>

**CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA
ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT - RECONCILIATION
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

Description	Governmental Funds	Enterprise Funds	Internal Service Funds	Total
A. Total expenditures/expenses/deductions and applicable other financing uses, special items, and extraordinary items reported within the fund-based financial statements.	\$363,373,258	\$92,102,451	\$30,222,211	\$485,697,920
B. Subtractions				
1. Items not requiring the use of working capital:				
Depreciation	-	20,394,436	-	20,394,436
Loss on Joint Venture	-	7,126,080	-	7,126,080
Pension Expense (Note 12)	-	1,209,057	18,718	1,227,775
OPEB Expense (Note 10)	-	899,579	-	899,579
2. Expenditures of separate legal entity established under Arizona Revised Statutes (Note 9)	1,326,519	-	-	1,326,519
Total subtractions	<u>1,326,519</u>	<u>29,629,152</u>	<u>18,718</u>	<u>30,974,389</u>
C. Additions:				
1. Principal payments on long-term debt (Note 13)	-	18,122,726	-	18,122,726
2. Acquisition of capital assets	-	16,168,676	-	16,168,676
3. Pension contributions paid in the current year (Note 12)	-	1,463,310	48,943	1,512,253
4. Other postemployment benefits paid in the current year but reported as expenses in the prior year (Note 10)	-	909,005	-	909,005
Total additions	<u>-</u>	<u>36,663,717</u>	<u>48,943</u>	<u>36,712,660</u>
D. Amounts reported on Part II, Line A	<u>\$ 362,046,739</u>	<u>\$ 99,137,016</u>	<u>\$ 30,252,436</u>	<u>\$491,436,191</u>

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NOTES TO ANNUAL EXPENDITURE LIMITATION REPORT
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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Annual Expenditure Limitation Report (AELR) is presented as prescribed by the *Uniform Expenditure Reporting System* (UERS), as required by Arizona Revised Statutes §41-1279.07. The AELR excludes expenditures, expenses, or deductions of certain revenues specified in the Arizona Constitution, Article IX, §20 from the total expenditures, expenses or deductions reported in the fund financial statements.

In accordance with the UERS requirements, a note to the AELR is presented below for any exclusion claimed on Part II and each subtraction or addition in the Reconciliation that cannot be traced directly to an amount reported in the fund financial statements. All references to financial statement amounts in the following notes refer to the *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for the Governmental Funds, the Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for the Non-major Governmental Funds, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position for the Proprietary Funds or the Statement of Cash Flows for the Proprietary Funds.*

NOTE 2 - Bond proceeds and interest earnings are claimed as exclusions in the year the expenditure occurs and any unused amounts are carried forward for future years. The rollforward of carryforward exclusions is as follows:

	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Enterprise</u>
Carryforward exclusions as of 6/30/14	\$ -	\$ -
Current year bond proceeds and premium	43,965,000	11,810,000
Prior year bond proceeds utilized	-	-
Current year bond proceeds and premium utilized	<u>(35,220,824)</u>	<u>(10,869,212)</u>
Carryforward exclusions as of 6/30/15	<u>\$ 8,744,176</u>	<u>\$ 940,788</u>

	<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Enterprise</u>
Carryforward interest exclusions as of 6/30/14	\$ 52,037,337	\$ 17,852,097
Current year interest earnings	889,594	488,477
Current year interest earnings used	-	-
Carryforward interest exclusions as of 6/30/15	<u>\$ 52,926,931</u>	<u>\$ 18,340,574</u>

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NOTE 3 - The exclusions claimed for debt service requirements on bonded indebtedness in the Governmental Funds consisted of principal retirement, interest and fiscal fees, and payment to refunded bond escrow agent.

The exclusion claimed for debt service requirements on bonded indebtedness in the Enterprise funds was comprised of the following:

Interest and fiscal fees	\$ 11,669,238
Principal paid on bonds – Water and Wastewater	17,906,844
	\$ 29,576,082

NOTE 4 - The \$28,490 of exclusions claimed for debt service requirements in the Governmental Funds on other long-term obligations relate to a capital lease on a copier and was charged to the internal services department.

The \$223,175 of exclusions claimed for debt service requirements in the Enterprise Funds on other long-term obligations relate to capital leases on golf carts and golf equipment and was charged to the golf fund.

NOTE 5 - The exclusion of \$2,939,642 claimed for quasi-external interfund transactions in the Enterprise Funds relate to charges to other divisions of the City for water, refuse and sewer services. The exclusion of \$30,222,211 in the Internal Service Funds relates to charges for services paid to the Internal Service Funds for risk management and employee health self-insurance services. The interfund charges are included in “Charges for Services” in the Enterprise and Internal Service Funds and as a current expenditure in various departments in the Governmental Funds.

NOTE 6 - The highway user revenue earned in excess of the amounts received in fiscal year 1979-80 was \$8,444,672 and is included in “State Sales Tax”. Of the \$8,444,672 earned as exclusions in 2014-15, \$7,149,439 was used for the current year exclusion and the remainder will be carried forward to future years.

Carryforward HURF funds as of 6/30/14	\$ 9,338,771
Current year HURF funds available for exclusion	8,444,672
Current year HURF funds utilized	(7,149,439)
Retired HURF exclusions	(2,044,200)
Carryforward HURF funds as of 6/30/15	\$ 8,589,804

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NOTE 7 - The exclusions claimed for the contracts with other political subdivisions in the Enterprise Funds of \$1,082,685 relates to charges to the Town of Guadalupe for water and sewer services. These charges are included in "Charges for Services". In addition, the City had \$1,533,055 of excludable revenue in the Governmental Funds related to bus services. These revenues are included in the Transit Special Revenue Fund's "Charges for Services" revenue.

NOTE 8 - The following reimbursements are included in Governmental Funds "Other Entities' Participation":

Parks Capital Improvements	\$ 25,000
Community Development Capital Improvements	200,000
Signal Capital Improvements	30,904
Total Reimbursements	\$ 255,904

NOTE 9 - On February 20, 1997 the Rio Salado Community Facilities District (CFD) was organized under the laws of the State of Arizona to facilitate development of the Rio Salado Town Lake project. The CFD is a separate legal entity established under the Arizona Revised Statutes and therefore the expenditures are deductible. The City is 45.21% owner in the CFD and its portion of the expenditures are not deductible.

Total CFD expenditures as reported on the Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance	\$ 5,348,348
Debt service expenditures	(2,927,251)
City's portion of expenditure (not deductible)	(1,094,578)
Total expenditure deducted as a separate legal entity (Line B2)	\$ 1,326,519

NOTE 10 - The subtraction for OPEB expense of \$899,579 in the Enterprise Funds was reported as water and wastewater, solid waste and golf course operating expenses. The addition for OPEB paid in the current year but reported as expenses in previous years of \$909,005 was reported as personnel services expenses.

NOTE 11 - Federal grant revenues are claimed as exclusions in the year the expenditure occurs and any unused amounts are carried forward for future years. In prior year, the unavailable federal grant revenue was included in the category, "Unavailable Revenue-Grants". In the current year, the unavailable federal grant revenue is displayed in a separate line item. The current year federal grant exclusion utilized is as follows:

Federal grant revenue	\$ 19,764,930
Current year unavailable revenue-federal grants	1,018,827
Prior year unavailable revenue-other received	(841,295)
Prior year federal grant utilized	(131,247)
Current year exclusion used	\$ 19,811,215

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NOTE 12 - The subtraction of \$1,209,057 and \$18,718 for pension expense consists of the change in the net pension liability recognized in the current year in the Enterprise and Internal Service Funds, respectively. The addition of \$1,463,310 and \$48,943 for pension contribution paid in the current year consists of the required pension contribution made to the Arizona State Retirement System from the Enterprise and Internal Service Funds, respectively.

NOTE 13 - Principal payments on long-term debt for the Enterprise Funds consists of the following:

Water and wastewater bond principal payments	\$ 17,906,844
Golf capital lease payments	<u>215,882</u>
Total principal payments on long-term debt	<u>\$ 18,122,726</u>