

**CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA  
MEASURE J FUND**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
City of Palm Springs, California

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Measure J Fund of the City of Palm Springs (the City) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements.

### ***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 opinions 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 *Government 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 opinions.

### ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Measure J Fund of the City of Palm Springs, California, as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
City of Palm Springs, California

***Emphasis of a Matter***

As described in Note 1 to the financial statement, the financial statement is prepared in accordance with Measure J which requires a financial statement that presents only the Measure J Fund and does not purport to, and does not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Palm Springs, California as of June 30, 2015, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Other Matters***

*Required Supplementary Information*

Management has omitted the management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, 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. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

***Restriction of Use***

Our report is intended solely for the information and use of the City of Palm Springs and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

***Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 30, 2015 on our consideration of the City's internal control over financial reporting 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 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 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.

Brea California  
December 30, 2015

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS

MEASURE J FUND  
 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET  
 JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>Measure J Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Statement of Net Position</u>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Cash and investments	\$ 9,091,886	\$ -	\$ 9,091,886
Receivables:			
Accounts receivable	2,119,400	-	2,119,400
Accrued interest	13,419	-	13,419
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b><u>11,224,705</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>11,224,705</u></b>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balance:</b>			
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
Accounts payable	642,270	-	642,270
Accrued liabilities	6,652	-	6,652
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b><u>648,922</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>648,922</u></b>
<b>Fund Balance:</b>			
Assigned for capital projects	10,575,783	(10,575,783)	-
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>10,575,783</u></b>	<b><u>(10,575,783)</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>\$ 11,224,705</u></b>		
<b>Net Position:</b>			
Unrestricted		10,575,783	10,575,783
<b>Total Net Position</b>		<b><u>\$ -</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 10,575,783</u></b>

See Independent Auditors' Report and Notes to Financial Statements.

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MEASURE J FUND  
 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
 REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE  
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	<u>Measure J Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Statement of Activities</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Taxes	\$ 12,854,984	\$ -	\$ 12,854,984
Use of money and property	71,416	-	71,416
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>12,926,400</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,926,400</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Public Works	12,571,396	-	12,571,396
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>12,571,396</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,571,396</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (under) Expenditures	355,004	-	355,004
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>			
Transfers out	(3,189,883)	-	(3,189,883)
<b>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>	<b>(3,189,883)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(3,189,883)</b>
Net Change in Fund Balance/Net Position	(2,834,879)	-	(2,834,879)
Fund Balance/Net Position at Beginning of Year	13,410,662	-	13,410,662
<b>Fund Balance/Net Position at End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 10,575,783</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 10,575,783</b>

See Independent Auditors' Report and Notes to Financial Statements.

**Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

**a. Reporting Entity**

The City of Palm Springs, California Measure J Fund (the "Fund") is used to account for the Measure J Fund's activities. Measure J is a local revenue measure passed on November 8, 2011, to maintain local community services and economically revitalize the downtown area.

The Fund is a governmental fund of the City of Palm Springs, California, and the accompanying financial statements are included in the City of Palm Springs, California's basic financial statements.

The accompanying financial statements are for Measure J Fund only and are not intended to fairly present the financial position of the City of Palm Springs, California or the results of its operations.

**b. Basis of Presentation – Government-Wide Financial Statements**

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

**c. Basis of Presentation – Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide information about the government's funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major funds. The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The Measure J fund (the "Fund") is the primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources.

**d. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as current financial resources or economic resources. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported 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 collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, revenues are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)  
JUNE 30, 2015

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**Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

**e. Assets, Liabilities and Net Position or Equity**

Cash and Investments

The fund's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Investments for the fund are reported at fair value. The State Treasurer's Investment Pool operates in accordance with appropriate state laws and regulations. The reported value of the pool is the same as the fair value of the pool shares.

The fund pools its cash and investments with the City of Palm Springs.

Receivables and Payables

All receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles.

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds."

Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, the fund reports the following fund balance classifications:

Nonspendable include 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 include amounts that are constrained on the use of resources by either (a) external creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws of regulations of other governments or (b) by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed include amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the government's governing board.

Assigned include amounts that are constrained by the government's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed.

Unassigned include the residual amounts that have not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes.

An individual governmental fund could include nonspendable resources and amounts that are restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) or any combination of those classifications.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)  
JUNE 30, 2015**

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**Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)**

Net Position

Net Position is the excess of all the fund's assets over all its liabilities, regardless of fund. Net Position is divided into three captions. These captions apply only to net position, which is determined only at the government-wide level, and are described below:

Net Investment in Capital Assets describes the portion of net position which is represented by the current net book value of the fund's capital assets, less the outstanding balance of any debt issued to finance these assets.

Restricted describes the portion of net position which is restricted as to use by the terms and conditions of agreements with outside parties, governmental regulations, laws, or other restrictions which the government cannot unilaterally alter.

Unrestricted describes the portion of net position which is not restricted to use.

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 the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Note 2: Cash and Investments**

Cash and investments as reported in the accompanying financial statements consisted of the following:

Cash and investments	\$ 9,091,886
Total	<u>\$ 9,091,886</u>

The fund's cash and investments are pooled with the City of Palm Springs cash and investment in order to generate optimum interest income. Each fund's share of the pooled cash account is separately accounted for, and investment income is allocated to all participating funds based on the relationship of their average daily cash balances to the total of the pooled cash and investments. Information regarding the authorized types of deposits and investments, the type of risks (i.e. credit, interest rate, custodial, etc.) and other disclosures associated with the fund's pooled cash and investments is included in the City of Palm Springs' basic financial statements, which are available at 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs, California 92262.

**Note 3: Commitments and Contingent Liabilities**

The fund is subject to litigation arising in the normal course of business. In the opinion of legal counsel there is no pending litigation, which is likely to have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the fund.

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**Note 4: Risk Management**

The fund is covered under the City of Palm Springs' insurance policies. Therefore, the limitations and self-insured retentions applicable to the City also apply to the fund. Additional information on coverage and self-insured retentions can be obtained by contacting the City of Palm Springs.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE  
REQUIREMENTS AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council  
City of Palm Springs, California

**Report on Compliance**

We have audited the compliance of the Measure J Fund of the City of Palm Springs, California (the "City") with the types of compliance requirements described in the Measure J ballot passed on November 8, 2011, ("Measure J") for the year ended June 30, 2015.

***Management's Responsibility***

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of Measure J.

***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express opinions on compliance with the requirements of Measure J based on our audit. 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 the *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and Measure J. Those standards and Measure J 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 material effect on Measure J Fund of the City. 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. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance with those requirements.

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to the Measure J Fund for the year ended June 30, 2015.

**Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

The management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the type of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the City's internal control over compliance to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance, 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.



To the Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council  
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*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 Measure J on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material noncompliance 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 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 Measure J. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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 deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in the internal control over compliance that we consider material weaknesses as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and the Governing Board of the City and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Brea, California  
December 30, 2015