

Agenda
City of Vernon
Special Successor Agency to the
Redevelopment Agency Meeting
Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 9:00 AM
City Hall, Council Chamber
4305 Santa Fe Avenue
Vernon, California

Melissa Ybarra, Chairperson William Davis, Vice-Chairperson Leticia Lopez, Member Crystal Larios, Member Judith Merlo, Member

## **MEETING ATTENDANCE PROTOCOLS**

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**CALL TO ORDER** 

**FLAG SALUTE** 

**ROLL CALL** 

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time the public is encouraged to address and will be given the opportunity to address the Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency on any matter that has been described in the agenda for this special meeting.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are to be approved with one motion. Items may be removed from the Consent Calendar for individual consideration. Removed items will be considered immediately following the Consent Calendar.

## 1. City Clerk

**Approval of Minutes** 

Recommendation:

Approve the February 1, 2022 Regular Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

1. 20220201 SA Minutes

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## 2. Finance/Treasury

2022 Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. SA-28 authorizing the issuance and sale of tax allocation refunding bonds in an amount not to exceed \$27,000,000, and approving the form of an indenture of trust, a form of escrow agreement, a form of bond purchase agreement, a form of continuing disclosure agreement, and authorizing certain other actions in connection therewith.

- 1. Resolution No. SA-28
- 2. Indenture (Vernon 2022 TARBs)
- 3. Escrow Agreement (Vernon 2005 TABs)
- 4. Escrow Agreement (Vernon 2011 TABs)
- 5. Bond Purchase Agreement (Vernon 2022 TARBs)
- 6. Continuing Disclosure Agreement

## **ORAL REPORTS**

Brief reports, announcements, or directives to staff.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the main entrance of the City of Vernon City Hall, located at 4305 Santa Fe Avenue, Vernon, California, and on the City's website, not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting set forth on this agenda.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022.

By:

Sandra Dolson, Administrative Secretary

## Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Agenda Item Report

Submitted by: Sandra Dolson Submitting Department: City Clerk Meeting Date: March 15, 2022

## **SUBJECT**

Approval of Minutes

## **Recommendation:**

Approve the February 1, 2022 Regular Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

## Background:

Staff has prepared and hereby submits the minutes for approval.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

## Attachments:

1. 20220201 SA Minutes

# MINUTES VERNON SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2022 REMOTE LOCATION VIA ZOOM

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Ybarra called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

## **FLAG SALUTE**

The Flag Salute was not conducted.

## **ROLL CALL**

## PRESENT:

Melissa Ybarra, Chair (via remote access)
William Davis, Vice Chair (via remote access)
Leticia Lopez, Member (via remote access)
Crystal Larios, Member (via remote access)
Judith Merlo, Member (via remote access)

#### STAFF PRESENT:

Carlos Fandino, City Administrator (via remote access)

Zaynah Moussa, Interim City Attorney (via remote access)

Lisa Pope, City Clerk (via remote access)

Scott Williams, Finance Director (via remote access)

Abraham Alemu, Public Utilities General Manager (via remote access)

Michael Earl, Human Resources Director (via remote access)

Fredrick Agyin, Health and Environmental Control Director (via remote access)

Robert Sousa, Police Chief (via remote access)

Dan Wall, Public Works Director (via remote access)

## APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

#### MOTION

Member Lopez moved and Chair Ybarra seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The question was called and the motion carried unanimously.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## CONSENT CALENDAR

#### **MOTION**

Member Lopez moved and Member Larios seconded a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The guestion was called and the motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Calendar consisted of the following items:

## 1. Approval of Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the February 2, 2021 Regular Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency meeting minutes.

2. Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the Period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Recommendation: Receive and file the recognized obligation payment schedule (ROPS) of the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; and Authorize Successor Agency staff to provide any additional requested information to the Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller and/or California Department of Finance to substantiate the information contained in the ROPS and effectuate said schedule.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

3. Appointment of Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc. for Investment Banking and Underwriting Services and Purchase Contract with HdL Coren & Cone for Fiscal Consulting Services

Recommendation: A. Approve refunding of Tax Allocation Bond (TAB) Series 2005A and 2011A; B. Appoint Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc. as underwriters in accordance with staff's recommendation for a cost not-to-exceed \$134,000 to be paid from bond proceeds upon transaction completion; and C. Approve and authorize the issuance of a purchase contract with HdL Coren & Cone for fiscal consulting services for a total amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Finance Director Williams presented the staff report.

Mike Mejia, Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc., introduced himself.

## **MOTION**

Member Merlo moved and Member Lopez seconded a motion to: A. Approve refunding of Tax Allocation Bond (TAB) Series 2005A and 2011A; B. Appoint Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc. as underwriters in accordance with staff's recommendation for a cost not-to-exceed \$134,000 to be paid from bond proceeds upon transaction completion; and C. Approve and authorize the issuance of a purchase contract with HdL Coren & Cone for fiscal consulting services for a total amount not to exceed \$25,000. The question was called and the motion carried unanimously.

## **ORAL REPORTS**

Brief	reports,	announcements,	or	directives	to	staff.

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Ybarra adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

	MELISSA YBARRA, Chair
ATTEST:	
LISA POPE, City Clerk (seal)	

## Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency Agenda Item Report

Submitted by: Angela Melgar Submitting Department: Finance/Treasury Meeting Date: March 15, 2022

#### **SUBJECT**

2022 Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds

#### Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. SA-28 authorizing the issuance and sale of tax allocation refunding bonds in an amount not to exceed \$27,000,000, and approving the form of an indenture of trust, a form of escrow agreement, a form of bond purchase agreement, a form of continuing disclosure agreement, and authorizing certain other actions in connection therewith.

## **Background:**

Effective February 1, 2012, pursuant to Assembly Bill x1 26 (AB 26), redevelopment agencies throughout the State were abolished and prohibited from engaging in future redevelopment activities. AB 26 enabled the formation of Successor Agencies (SAs), which have the responsibility of winding down outstanding obligations of the former redevelopment agencies.

On June 27, 2012, the State passed Assembly Bill 1484 (AB 1484), which included provisions permitting SAs to refund outstanding bonds or other obligations of a former redevelopment agency to achieve savings. Most SAs have since refunded their existing redevelopment bonds to provide savings to taxing entities.

Vernon's former redevelopment agency issued \$49,420,000 of Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2005A and \$19,490,000 of Taxable Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2011 (collectively, the Prior Bonds) to fund, among other things, the acquisition of land and certain redevelopment projects, bond issuance costs and a bond reserve fund. The Prior Bonds are currently outstanding in the amount of \$38,915,000, and have a final term of 2035 with existing interest rates ranging from 4.625% to 9.25%. Based on today's interest rates, the Prior Bonds could be refunded to the same term at yields ranging from 1.72% to 3.19%. The refunding bonds (Refunding Bonds) would produce annual savings between \$350,000 to \$620,000 (total savings of approximately \$6.85 million). These savings will increase the amount of "residual" property tax available to be redistributed to other taxing entities based on their proportionate share of the 1% property tax levy.

On February 1, 2022, City Council appointed Ramirez as underwriters for the TAB refunding to allow the firm to commence work on this transaction and approved a purchase contract with HdL Coren and Cone for fiscal consulting services and production of a Fiscal Consultant Report. This report is the foundation that contains most of the information found in the Official Statement. An official statement describes the essential terms of the bonds, and typically provides the most detailed description of the features of the bonds.

If the Refunding Bonds are issued under current market conditions, the refinancing will reduce existing debt payments by approximately \$6.85 million over the life of the Refunding Bonds, which will increase the "residual" property tax distribution to all taxing entities. This assumes the Successor Agency applies approximately \$10 million in unspent bond proceeds

attributable to the Prior Bonds to reduce the size of the Refunding Bonds. The Successor Agency plans to shorten the maturity of the Refunding Bonds as much as possible in order to increase overall savings to the City and other taxing agencies.

Upon the final maturity of the Refunding Bonds which is estimated to occur on September 1, 2029 (versus the current final maturity of the Prior Bonds on September 1, 2035), the City will receive a share of this savings as a residual distribution from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund. The City is expected to receive approximately 11.52% of the total savings generated from the Refunding Bonds, which is currently estimated to be approximately \$790,000.

## Next Steps in Bond Process:

On April 11, 2022, staff will present the financing to the First District, Los Angeles Consolidated Oversight Board (Oversight Board) for approval. Assuming approval by the Oversight Board, the Department of Finance has 65 days to approve or reject the issuance of the Refunding Bonds. During this review period, Successor Agency Staff will work with Bond Counsel, the Municipal Advisor, the Fiscal Consultant and the Underwriter to prepare the official statement for the Refunding Bonds and obtain a rating on the Refunding Bonds. Staff expects to bring the official statement to the Successor Agency for approval in May.

## **Fiscal Impact:**

The Municipal Advisor has informed the Successor Agency that, based on the Successor Agency's financing plan and current market conditions, its good faith estimate of the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds to be sold is \$25,225,000.

Assuming that the Estimated Principal Amount of the Bonds is sold, and based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of such estimate, its good faith estimate of the initial true interest cost in aggregate of the Bonds, which means the rate necessary to discount the amounts payable on the respective principal and interest payment dates to the purchase price received for the Bonds, is 2.12%.

Assuming that the Estimated Principal Amount of the Bonds is sold, and based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of such estimate, its good faith estimate of the finance charge for the Bonds, which means the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties (or costs associated with the Bonds), is \$508,582.

The Municipal Advisor's good faith estimate of the amount of proceeds expected to be received by the Successor Agency for sale of the Bonds, less the finance charge of the Bonds, as estimated above, and any reserves or capitalized interest paid or funded with proceeds of the Bonds, is \$26,403,119.

The Municipal Advisor's good faith estimate of the total payment amount, which means the sum total of all payments the Successor Agency will make to pay debt service on the Bonds, plus the finance charge for the Bonds, as described above, not paid with the proceeds of the Bonds, calculated to the final maturity of the Bonds, is \$28,799,647.

#### Attachments:

- 1. Resolution No. SA-28
- 2. Indenture (Vernon 2022 TARBs)
- 3. Escrow Agreement (Vernon 2005 TABs)

- 4. Escrow Agreement (Vernon 2011 TABs)5. Bond Purchase Agreement (Vernon 2022 TARBs)6. Continuing Disclosure Agreement

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SA-28**

RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$27,000,000, AND APPROVING THE FORM OF AN INDENTURE OF TRUST, A FORM OF ESCROW AGREEMENT, A FORM OF BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT, A FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT, AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

## SECTION 1. Recitals.

- A. The Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Prior Agency") was a public body, corporate and politic, duly created, established and authorized to transact business and exercise its powers under and pursuant to the provisions of the Community Redevelopment Law (Part 1 of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California) (the "Law"), and the powers of the Prior Agency included the power to issue bonds for any of its corporate purposes.
- B. The City of Vernon Amended Redevelopment Plan for the First Amendment to the Industrial Redevelopment Project was adopted and approved, and amended from time to time, in compliance with all requirements of the Law, and all requirements of law for and precedent to the adoption and approval of the Redevelopment Plan, as amended, have been duly complied with.
- C. On June 28, 2011, the California Legislature adopted ABx1 26 (the "Dissolution Act") and ABx1 27 (the "Opt-in Bill").
- D. The California Supreme Court subsequently upheld the provisions of the Dissolution Act and invalidated the Opt-in Bill, resulting in the dissolution of the Prior Agency as of February 1, 2012.
- E. The Prior Agency's redevelopment powers, assets and obligations were transferred on February 1, 2012 to the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Successor Agency").
- F. On or about June 27, 2012, AB1484 was adopted as a trailer bill in connection with the 2012-13 California Budget.
- G. The Prior Agency issued (i) the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2005 and (ii) the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds Series 2011 (Federally Taxable) (collectively, the "Prior Obligations").
- H. California Health and Safety Code Section 34177.5(a)(1) authorizes successor agencies to refund outstanding bonds or other indebtedness provided that:

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- (i) the total interest cost to maturity on the refunding bonds or other indebtedness, plus the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness, does not exceed the total remaining interest cost to maturity on the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded, plus the remaining principal of the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded; and (ii) the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness does not exceed the amount required to defease the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded, to establish customary debt service reserves and to pay related costs of issuance.
- I. The Successor Agency now desires to authorize and approve the issuance of tax allocation refunding bonds (the "2022 Bonds") in an aggregate principal amount sufficient to refund all or a portion of the Prior Obligations, and to irrevocably set aside a portion of the proceeds of such 2022 Bonds in one or more separate segregated trust funds which will be used to refund the outstanding Prior Obligations being refunded, to pay costs in connection with the issuance of the 2022 Bonds and to make certain other deposits as required by the Indenture (as defined below).
- J. The 2022 Bonds shall be secured by a pledge of property tax revenues authorized by California Health and Safety Code Section 34177.5(a) and (g), pursuant to the provisions of Article 11 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code (the "Bond Law").
- K. The Successor Agency wishes at this time to approve matters relating to the issuance and sale of the 2022 Bonds.
- L. In compliance with SB 450, the Successor Agency has obtained from BLX Group LLC, its Municipal Advisor in connection with the Bonds ("Municipal Advisor") the required good faith estimates and such estimates are disclosed and set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON AS FOLLOWS:

<u>SECTION 2.</u> Approval of Recitals. The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon hereby finds and determines that the above recitals are true and correct.

SECTION 3. Approval of Bonds. The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon hereby approves, subject to the provisions of the Indenture referred to in Section 3 hereof, the issuance of the 2022 Bonds, in one or more series, and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$27,000,000, or such lesser amount as is sufficient to refund all or a portion of the Prior Obligations for the purpose of achieving debt service savings in accordance with Health & Safety Code Section 34177.5(a)(1) and the pledge of property tax revenues to the 2022 Bonds pursuant to the Indenture approved by Section 3 of this Resolution (as authorized by California Health and Safety Code Section 34177.5(a) and (g)) on the terms and

conditions set forth in, and subject to the limitations specified in, the Indenture. The 2022 Bonds will be dated, will bear interest at the rates, will mature on the dates, will be issued in the form, will be subject to redemption, and will be as otherwise provided in the Indenture, as the same will be completed as provided in this Resolution. The proceeds of the sale of the 2022 Bonds shall be applied as provided in the Indenture. The 2022 Bonds may be issued as a single issue, or from time to time, in separate series of taxable or tax-exempt bonds, as the Successor Agency shall determine. The approval of the issuance of the 2022 Bonds by the Successor Agency and the Los Angeles County First Supervisorial District Consolidated Oversight Board (the "Oversight Board") shall constitute the approval of each and every separate series of 2022 Bonds and the sale of the 2022 Bonds at a public or private sale, without the need for any further approval from the Oversight Board.

SECTION 4. Approval of Indenture. The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon hereby approves the form of the Indenture of Trust (the "Indenture") presented herewith, providing for the issuance of the 2022 Bonds. The Chair, the Executive Director, the Finance Director, the Secretary, any member of the governing board of the Successor Agency or their respective written designee (each an "Authorized Officer" and collectively, the "Authorized Officers") are, and each of them is, hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name of the Successor Agency, to execute and deliver the Indenture, in substantially said form, with such changes therein as the Authorized Officer executing the same may require or approve, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof. If the 2022 Bonds are to be sold in separate series at different times, each of the Authorized Officers is hereby authorized and directed in the name of the Successor Agency to execute any supplement to the Indenture to provide for the issuance of such series of 2022 Bonds consistent with the terms of the Resolution.

Each of the Authorized Officers is hereby authorized and directed to execute and countersign each of the 2022 Bonds on behalf of the Successor Agency, either manually or in facsimile, and such signing as herein provided shall be a sufficient and binding execution of the 2022 Bonds on behalf of the Successor Agency. In case either of such officers whose signature appears on the 2022 Bonds shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the 2022 Bonds, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as though such officer had remained in office until the delivery of the 2022 Bonds.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> Approval of Escrow Agreements. The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon hereby approves the form of the Escrow Agreements presented herewith. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name of the Successor Agency, to execute and deliver one or more Escrow Agreements for each of the Prior Obligations in substantially said form, with such changes therein as the Authorized Officer executing the same may require or approve, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof.

<u>SECTION 6.</u> Approval of Continuing Disclosure Agreement. The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon hereby approves the form of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement presented herewith. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name of the Successor Agency, to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Agreement in substantially said form, with such changes therein as the Authorized Officer executing the same may require or approve, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof.

SECTION 7. Approval of Bond Purchase Agreement. The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon hereby approves the form of the Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") between the Successor Agency and Samuel A. Ramirez & Co. Inc., as Underwriter, in the form presented herewith. The Authorized Officers are, and each of them is, hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name of the Successor Agency, to execute and deliver the Bond Purchase Agreement in substantially said form, with such changes therein as the Authorized Officer executing the same may require or approve, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof; provided, however, that the Bond Purchase Agreement shall be signed only if the terms of the Bond Purchase Agreement are such that (i) the total interest cost to maturity on the 2022 Bonds plus the principal amount of the 2022 Bonds will not exceed the total remaining interest cost to maturity on the Prior Obligations plus the principal amount of the Prior Obligations, (ii) the principal amount of the 2022 Bonds will not exceed the amount required to defease the Prior Obligations, to establish a customary debt service reserve fund, and to pay related costs of issuance, and (iii) the aggregate Underwriter's discount (not including any original issue discount paid by the Underwriter) shall not exceed .0425% of the aggregate principal amount of the 2022 Bonds.

As an alternative to the sale of the 2022 Bonds through a public offering authorized in paragraph (a), the 2022 Bonds may be sold on a private placement basis through Samuel A. Ramirez & Co. Inc., acting as private placement agent (the "Private Placement Agent"), if a private placement of the 2022 Bonds will produce lower interest rates (and therefore greater savings) than are available through a public offering of the 2022 Bonds, or if a private placement is otherwise preferable and/or more appropriate to a public offering of the 2022 Bonds, in the opinion of, and upon recommendation of, the Municipal Advisor, which recommendation is agreed to by the Executive Director or Finance Director of the Successor Agency, so long as the interest rate savings specified in paragraph (a) are achieved through said private placement of the 2022 Bonds, and so long as the compensation to the Private Placement Agent through a private placement of the Bonds does not exceed the amount approved by the Executive Director or Finance Director of the Successor Agency.

<u>SECTION 8.</u> <u>Miscellaneous</u>. Each of the Authorized Officers and other appropriate officers of the Successor Agency, acting alone, is authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to do any and all things and to execute and deliver any and all documents and contracts that they may deem necessary or advisable in order to consummate the sale,

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execution and delivery of the 2022 Bonds and otherwise to carry out, give effect to and comply with the terms and intent of this Resolution, the 2022 Bonds, the Indenture, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, the Bond Purchase Agreement and the Escrow Agreements, each in order to facilitate the issuance of the 2022 Bonds and otherwise to carry out, give effect to and comply with the terms and intent of this Resolution, including, without limitation, to amend any of the legal documents entered in connection with the Prior Obligations in order to effectuate the defeasance and refunding of such Prior Obligations, to execute irrevocable refunding instructions with respect to the Prior Obligations, to secure municipal bond insurance on the 2022 Bonds and/or a reserve surety or reserve policy to fund any reserve account or fund established for the 2022 Bonds, if available (which may include entering into a mutual insurance agreement(s) therefor), to request subordination of any amounts required to be paid to an affected taxing entity to any or all of the 2022 Bonds, to negotiate and execute a private placement agreement with the Private Placement Agent, and to negotiate and execute an agreement or instructions for the County Auditor-Controller to directly pay debt service on the 2022 Bonds from the Successor Agency's Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (i.e., irrevocable instructions to intercept property tax revenues or a custody agreement), as the Authorized Officer may require or approve, in consultation with Bond Counsel and the Successor Agency's Municipal Advisor, and any such actions heretofore taken by such officers in connection therewith are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

<u>SECTION 9.</u> <u>Severability.</u> If any provision of this Resolution or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are severable. The Successor Agency declares that the Successor Agency would have adopted this Resolution irrespective of the invalidity of any particular portion of this Resolution.

<u>SECTION 10.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the governing board of the Successor Agency, and the Secretary shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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<u>SECTION 11.</u> <u>Certification</u>. The Secretary of the Successor Agency shall certify the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of March, 2022.

	MELISSA YBARRA, Chair
ATTEST:	
LISA POPE, Secretary	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
ZAYNAH N. MOUSSA, Legal Counsel	

#### **EXHIBIT A**

## **GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 5852.1 DISCLOSURE**

In compliance with Section 5852.1 of the California Government Code, the following information consists of estimates that have been provided by BLX Group LLC, the Successor Agency's Municipal Advisor in connection with the Bonds (the "**Municipal Advisor**") and has been represented by such party to have been provided in good faith:

- (A) Principal Amount. The Municipal Advisor has informed the Successor Agency that, based on the Successor Agency's financing plan and current market conditions, its good faith estimate of the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds to be sold is \$25,225,000 (the "Estimated Principal Amount").
- (B) True Interest Cost of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor has informed the Successor Agency that, assuming that the Estimated Principal Amount of the Bonds is sold, and based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of such estimate, its good faith estimate of the initial true interest cost in aggregate of the Bonds, which means the rate necessary to discount the amounts payable on the respective principal and interest payment dates to the purchase price received for the Bonds, is 2.12%. This estimate is based on an initial Finance Charge of the Bonds as described below.
- (C) Finance Charge of the Bonds. The Municipal Advisor has informed the Successor Agency that, assuming that the Estimated Principal Amount of the Bonds is sold, and based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of such estimate, its good faith estimate of the finance charge for the Bonds, which means the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties (or costs associated with the Bonds), is \$508,582.
- (D) Amount of Proceeds to be Received. The Municipal Advisor has informed the Successor Agency that, assuming that the Estimated Principal Amount of the Bonds is sold, and based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of such estimate, its good faith estimate of the amount of proceeds expected to be received by the Successor Agency for sale of the Bonds, less the finance charge of the Bonds, as estimated above, and any reserves or capitalized interest paid or funded with proceeds of the Bonds, is \$26,403,119.
- (E) Total Payment Amount. The Municipal Advisor has informed the Successor Agency that, assuming that the Estimated Principal Amount of the Bonds is sold, and based on market interest rates prevailing at the time of preparation of such estimate, its good faith estimate of the total payment amount, which means the sum total of all payments the Successor Agency will make to pay debt service on the Bonds, plus the finance charge for the Bonds, as described above, not paid with the proceeds of the Bonds, calculated to the final maturity of the Bonds, is \$28,799,647.

The foregoing constitute good faith estimates only. The principal amount of the Bonds, the true interest cost of the Bonds, the finance charges thereof, the amount of proceeds received therefrom and total payment amount with respect thereto may differ from such good faith estimates due to: (a) the actual date of the sale of the Bonds being different than the

date assumed for purposes of such estimates; (b) the actual principal amount of Bonds sold being different from the estimated amount used for purposes of such estimates; (c) the actual amortization of the Bonds being different than the amortization assumed for purposes of such estimates; (d) the actual market interest rates at the time of sale of the Bonds being different than those estimated for purposes of such estimates; (e) other market conditions; or (f) alterations in the Successor Agency's financing plan, or a combination of such factors.

The actual date of sale of the Bonds and the actual principal amount of Bonds sold will be determined by the Successor Agency based on a variety of factors. The actual interest rates borne by the Bonds will depend on market interest rates at the time of sale thereof. The actual amortization of the Bonds will also depend, in part, on market interest rates at the time of sale thereof. Market interest rates are affected by economic and other factors beyond the control of the Successor Agency.

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**Dated as of \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2022** 

by and between the

# SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON

and

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., as Trustee

Relating to

SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE
FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON
TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2022A

SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE
FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON
TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2022B (FEDERALLY TAXABLE)

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#### INDENTURE OF TRUST

THIS INDENTURE OF TRUST (this "Indenture") is made and entered into and dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_1, 2022, by and between the SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON, a public entity duly existing under the laws of the State of California (the "Successor Agency"), as successor to the redevelopment activities of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Former Agency") and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., a national banking association duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, as trustee (the "Trustee");

#### **WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, the Former Agency was a public body, corporate and politic, duly established and authorized to transact business and exercise powers under and pursuant to the provisions of Part 1 of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code of the State (collectively, as amended, the "Law"), including the power to issue bonds and incur debt for any of its corporate purposes;

WHEREAS, the City of Vernon Amended Redevelopment Plan for the First Amendment to the Industrial Redevelopment Project (the "Redevelopment Plan") for the Industrial Redevelopment Project Area (the "Project Area") of the Former Agency was adopted and amended from time to time pursuant to ordinances of the City of Vernon (the "City") set forth in Exhibit B, in compliance with all requirements of the Law, and all requirements of law for and precedent to the adoption and approval of the Redevelopment Plan, as amended, have been duly complied with;

**WHEREAS**, in order to finance and refinance redevelopment activities within or of benefit to the Project Area, the Former Agency issued certain outstanding obligations more fully described herein (collectively, the "Refunded Obligations");

**WHEREAS**, by implementation of California Assembly Bill X1 26, which amended provisions of the Law, and the California Supreme Court's decision in *California Redevelopment Association v. Matosantos*, the redevelopment components of the Former Agency were dissolved on February 1, 2012 in accordance with California Assembly Bill X1 26 approved by the Governor of the State of California on June 28, 2011 (as amended, the "Dissolution Act"), and on February 1, 2012, the Successor Agency assumed the redevelopment related duties and obligations of the Former Agency as provided in the Dissolution Act, including, without limitation, the obligations of the Former Agency under the Refunded Obligations and the related documents to which the Former Agency was a party;

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code Section 34177.5(a)(1) authorizes successor agencies to refund outstanding bonds or other indebtedness provided that: (i) the total interest cost to maturity on the refunding bonds or other indebtedness, plus the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness, does not exceed the total remaining interest cost to maturity on the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded, plus the remaining principal of the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded; and (ii) the principal amount of the refunding bonds or other indebtedness does not exceed the amount required to defease the bonds or other indebtedness to be refunded, to establish customary debt service reserves and to pay related costs of issuance;

**WHEREAS**, said Section 34177.5 also authorizes the Successor Agency to issue bonds pursuant to Article 11 (commencing with Section 53580) of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code (the "Refunding Law") for the purposes and within the parameters set forth in said Section 34177.5:

**WHEREAS**, the Successor Agency desires to refund the Refunded Obligations pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 34177.5 in order to achieve debt service savings;

**WHEREAS**, in order to provide moneys to refund the Refunded Obligations in accordance with California Health and Safety Code Section 34177.5(a)(1), the Successor Agency has determined to issue its Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022A (the "2022A Bonds") and its Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022B (Federally Taxable) (the "2022B Bonds" and, together with the 2022A Bonds, the "2022 Bonds");

WHEREAS, the 2022 Bonds will be secured by a pledge of and lien on the Pledged Tax Revenues (defined herein), subject to the payment by the County Auditor-Controller of certain amounts (i) to the County for administrative costs allowed under Section 34182 and Section 95.3 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, (ii) to taxing entities pursuant to Pass-Through Agreements (defined below) (unless such payments are subordinated to payments on the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt), and (iii) to taxing entities pursuant to Sections 33607.5, 33607.7 and 33676 of the Law (unless such payments are subordinated to payments on the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt pursuant to Section 33607.5(e) of the Law or Section 34177.5(c) of the Dissolution Act),

**WHEREAS**, in order to provide for the authentication and delivery of the 2022 Bonds, to establish and declare the terms and conditions upon which the 2022 Bonds are to be issued and secured and to secure the payment of the principal thereof and interest and redemption premium (if any) thereon, the Successor Agency and the Trustee have duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Indenture; and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency has determined that all acts and proceedings required by law necessary to make the 2022 Bonds when executed by the Successor Agency, and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee, the valid, binding and legal special obligations of the Successor Agency, and to constitute this Indenture a legal, valid and binding agreement for the uses and purposes herein set forth in accordance with its terms, have been done or taken;

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, that in order to secure the payment of the principal of and the interest and redemption premium (if any) on all the Bonds (as defined below), including the 2022 Bonds, issued and Outstanding under this Indenture, according to their tenor, and to secure the performance and observance of all the covenants and conditions therein and herein set forth, and to declare the terms and conditions upon and subject to which the Bonds, including the 2022 Bonds, are to be issued and received, and in consideration of the premises and of the mutual covenants herein contained and of the purchase and acceptance of the Bonds, including the 2022 Bonds, by the Owners thereof, and for other valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Successor Agency and the Trustee do hereby covenant and agree with one another, for the benefit of the respective Owners from time to time of the Bonds, including the 2022 Bonds, as follows:

## **ARTICLE I**

## **DETERMINATIONS; DEFINITIONS**

- **Section 1.01 Findings and Determinations**. The Successor Agency has reviewed all proceedings heretofore taken and, as a result of such review, hereby finds and determines that all things, conditions and acts required by law to exist, happen or be performed precedent to and in connection with the issuance of the 2022 Bonds do exist, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and the Successor Agency is now duly empowered, pursuant to each and every requirement of law, to issue the 2022 Bonds in the manner and form provided in this Indenture.
- **Section 1.02 Definitions**. Unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in this Section 1.02 shall, for all purposes of this Indenture, of any Supplemental Indenture, and of any certificate, opinion or other document herein mentioned, have the meanings herein specified.
- "Annual Debt Service" means, for each Bond Year, the sum of (a) the interest payable on the Outstanding Bonds in such Bond Year, and (b) the principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds scheduled to be paid in such Bond Year.
- "Bonds" means the 2022 Bonds and any Parity Debt issued pursuant to a Supplemental Indenture.
- "Bond Counsel" means (a) Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, or (b) any other attorney or firm of attorneys appointed by or acceptable to the Successor Agency, of nationally-recognized experience in the issuance of obligations the interest on which is excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Code.
- "Bond Year" means each twelve (12) month period extending from September 2 in one calendar year to September 1 of the succeeding calendar year, both dates inclusive; provided that the first Bond Year with respect to the 2022 Bonds shall commence on the Closing Date and end on September 1, 20\_\_.
- "Business Day" means any day, other than a Saturday or Sunday or a day on which commercial banks in New York, New York, or any other city or cities where the Principal Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located are required or authorized by law to close or a day on which the Federal Reserve System is closed.
  - "City" means the City of Vernon.
- "Closing Date" means the date on which a series of Bonds is delivered by the Successor Agency to the original purchaser thereof. The Closing Date with respect to the 2022 Bonds is \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022.
  - "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- "Continuing Disclosure Agreement" means that certain Continuing Disclosure Agreement, with respect to the 2022 Bonds, executed by the Successor Agency, as originally executed and as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Costs of Issuance" means all items of expense directly or indirectly payable by or reimbursable to the Successor Agency relating to the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, including but not limited to printing expenses, bond insurance and surety bond premiums, if any, rating agency fees, filing and recording fees, initial fees and charges and first annual administrative fee of the Trustee and Escrow Bank and fees and expenses of its counsel, fees, charges and disbursements of attorneys, financial advisors, accounting firms, consultants and other professionals, fees and charges for preparation, execution and safekeeping of the Bonds, administrative costs of the Successor Agency and the City incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, expenses of the underwriters of the Bonds, and any other cost, charge or fee in connection with the original issuance of the Bonds.

"Costs of Issuance Fund" means the fund by that name established and held by the Trustee pursuant to Section 3.03.

"County" means Los Angeles County.

"County Auditor-Controller" means the Auditor-Controller of the County.

"**Debt Service Fund**" means the fund by that name established and held by the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.03.

"Defeasance Obligations" means any of the following which, at the time of investment, are legal investments under the laws of the State for the moneys proposed to be invested therein and are in compliance with the Successor Agency's investment policies then in effect (provided that the Trustee shall be entitled to rely upon any investment direction from the Successor Agency as conclusive certification to the Trustee that investments described therein are legal and are in compliance with the Successor Agency's investment policies then in effect), but only to the extent the same are acquired at Fair Market Value:

- (a) Cash;
- (b) Federal Securities, including direct obligations of the Treasury which have been stripped by the Treasury itself, CATS, TIGRS and similar securities;
- (c) The interest component of Resolution Funding Corporation strips which have been stripped by request to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York in book-entry form;
- (d) Pre-refunded municipal bonds rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, provided that, if the issue is rated only by S&P (i.e., there is no Moody's rating), then the pre-refunded municipal bonds must have been pre-refunded with cash, direct U.S. or U.S. guaranteed obligations, or AAA rated pre-refunded municipals; and
- (e) Bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following federal agencies and provided such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America (stripped securities are only permitted if they have been stripped by the agency itself): (i) direct obligations or fully guaranteed certificates of beneficial ownership of the U.S. Export-Import Bank; (ii) certificates of beneficial ownership of the Farmers Home Administration; (iii) participation certificates of the General Services Administration; (iv) Federal Financing Bank bonds and debentures; (v) guaranteed Title XI financings of the U.S.

Maritime Administration; and (vi) project notes, local authority bonds, new communities debentures and U.S. public housing notes and bonds of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"Department of Finance" means the Department of Finance of the State of California.

"**Depository**" means (a) initially, DTC, and (b) any other Securities Depository acting as Depository pursuant to Section 2.10.

"Depository System Participant" means any participant in the Depository's book-entry system.

"Dissolution Act" means California Assembly Bill X1 26 approved by the Governor of the State of California on June 28, 2011, as it has heretofore been amended and as it may hereafter be amended.

"DTC" means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, and its successors and assigns.

"Escrow Bank" means The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.

"Event of Default" means any of the events described in Section 8.01.

"Fair Market Value" means the price at which a willing buyer would purchase the investment from a willing seller in a bona fide, arm's length transaction (determined as of the date the contract to purchase or sell the investment becomes binding) if the investment is traded on an established securities market (within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Code) and, otherwise, the term "Fair Market Value" means the acquisition price in a bona fide arm's length transaction (as referenced above) if (i) the investment is a certificate of deposit that is acquired in accordance with applicable regulations under the Code, (ii) the investment is an agreement with specifically negotiated withdrawal or reinvestment provisions and a specifically negotiated interest rate (for example, a guaranteed investment contract, a forward supply contract or other investment agreement) that is acquired in accordance with applicable regulations under the Code, (iii) the investment is a United States Treasury Security--State and Local Government Series that is acquired in accordance with applicable regulations of the United States Bureau of Public Debt, or (iv) any commingled investment fund in which the Successor Agency and related parties do not own more than a ten percent (10%) beneficial interest therein if the return paid by the fund is without regard to the source of the investment.

"Federal Securities" means any direct, noncallable general obligations of the United States of America (including obligations issued or held in book-entry form on the books of the Department of the Treasury of the United States of America and CATS and TGRS), or obligations the payment of principal of and interest on which are directly or indirectly guaranteed by the United States of America.

"Fiscal Year" means any twelve-month period beginning on July 1 in any year and extending to the next succeeding June 30, both dates inclusive, or any other twelve month period selected and designated by the Successor Agency to the Trustee in writing as its official fiscal year period.

"Former Agency" means the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon.

"**Indenture**" means this Indenture of Trust by and between the Successor Agency and the Trustee, as originally entered into or as it may be amended or supplemented by any Supplemental Indenture entered into pursuant to the provisions hereof.

"Independent Accountant" means any accountant or firm of such accountants duly licensed or registered or entitled to practice as such under the laws of the State, appointed by the Successor Agency, and who, or each of whom:

- (a) is in fact independent and not under domination of the Successor Agency or the City;
- (b) does not have any substantial interest, direct or indirect, with the Successor Agency or the City; and
- (c) is not connected with the Successor Agency or the City as an officer or employee of the Successor Agency or the City, but who may be regularly retained to make reports to the Successor Agency or the City.

"Independent Redevelopment Consultant" means any consultant or firm of such consultants appointed by the Successor Agency, and who, or each of whom:

- (a) is judged by the Successor Agency to have experience in matters relating to the collection of Pledged Tax Revenues or otherwise with respect to the financing of redevelopment projects;
- (b) is in fact independent and not under domination of the Successor Agency or the City;
- (c) does not have any substantial interest, direct or indirect, with the Successor Agency or the City; and
- (d) is not connected with the Successor Agency or the City as an officer or employee of the Successor Agency or the City, but who may be regularly retained to make reports to the Successor Agency or the City.

"Information Services" means, in accordance with then current guidelines of the Securities and Exchange Commission, such services providing information with respect to the redemption of bonds as the Successor Agency may designate in a Written Request of the Successor Agency filed with the Trustee.

"**Insurer**" means the 2022 Insurer and, as applicable, the provider of a municipal bond or financial guaranty insurance policy with respect to other Bonds.

"Interest Account" means the account by that name established and held by the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.03(a).

"Interest Payment Date" means each March 1 and September 1, commencing \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 20\_\_, for so long as any of the Bonds remain Outstanding hereunder.

**"Law"** means the Community Redevelopment Law of the State, constituting Part 1 of Division 24 of the Health and Safety Code of the State, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto.

"Maximum Annual Debt Service" means, as of the date of calculation, the largest amount of principal and interest payments due with respect to the current or any future Bond Year payable in such Bond Year. For purposes of such calculation, there shall be excluded payments with respect to each series of Bonds to the extent that amounts due with respect to such series of Bonds are prepaid or otherwise discharged in accordance with this Indenture.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service and its successors.

"Nominee" means (a) initially, Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, and (b) any other nominee of the Depository designated pursuant to Section 2.10(a).

"Outstanding" when used as of any particular time with reference to Bonds, means (subject to the provisions of Section 9.04) all Bonds except:

- (a) Bonds theretofore canceled by the Trustee or surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation;
- (b) Bonds paid or deemed to have been paid within the meaning of Section 9.03; and
- (c) Bonds in lieu of or in substitution for which other Bonds shall have been authorized, executed, issued and delivered by the Successor Agency pursuant hereto.

"Oversight Board" means the Los Angeles County First Supervisorial District Consolidated Oversight Board established pursuant to Section 34179 of the Dissolution Act.

"Owner" or "Bondowner" means, with respect to any Bond, the person in whose name the ownership of such Bond shall be registered on the Registration Books.

"Parity Debt" means any additional bonds, loans, advances or indebtedness issued or incurred by the Successor Agency on a parity with the 2022 Bonds pursuant to Section 3.04, whether issued as Bonds under a Supplemental Indenture or issued under a Parity Debt Instrument.

"Parity Debt Instrument" means a resolution, indenture of trust, supplemental indenture of trust, loan agreement, trust agreement or other instrument authorizing the issuance of any Parity Debt, other than a Supplemental Indenture.

"Participating Underwriter" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

"Pass-Through Agreements" means those agreements listed in Exhibit C, each providing for the allocation of former tax increment revenues generated by the Project Area of the Former Agency, and any other tax sharing entered into between the Former Agency and affected taxing agencies pursuant to former Health and Safety Code Section 33401 that have not been expressly subordinated to the Bonds.

"Permitted Investments" means any of the following which, at the time of investment, are legal investments under the laws of the State for the moneys proposed to be invested therein and are in compliance with the Successor Agency's investment policies then in effect (provided that the Trustee shall be entitled to rely upon any investment direction from the Successor Agency as conclusive certification to the Trustee that investments described therein are legal and are in compliance with the Successor Agency's investment policies then in effect and are Permitted Investments), but only to the extent the same are acquired at Fair Market Value:

## (a) Federal Securities;

- (b) Bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following federal agencies and provided such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America (stripped securities are only permitted if they have been stripped by the agency itself): (i) direct obligations or fully guaranteed certificates of beneficial ownership of the U.S. Export-Import Bank; (ii) certificates of beneficial ownership of the Farmers Home Administration; (iii) Federal Housing Administration debentures; (iv) participation certificates of the General Services Administration; (v) Federal Financing Bank bonds and debentures; (vi) guaranteed mortgage-backed bonds or guaranteed pass-through obligations of Ginnie Mae (formerly known as the Government National Mortgage Association); (vii) guaranteed Title XI financings of the U.S. Maritime Administration; and (viii) project notes, local authority bonds, new communities debentures and U.S. public housing notes and bonds of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development;
- (c) Bonds, debentures, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by any of the following non-full faith and credit U.S. government agencies (stripped securities only as stripped by the agency itself): (i) senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Bank System; (ii) participation certificates and senior debt obligations of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; (iii) mortgaged-backed securities and senior debt obligations of Fannie Mae; (iv) senior debt obligations of Sallie Mae (formerly known as the Student Loan Marketing Association); (v) obligations of the Resolution Funding Corporation; and (vi) consolidated system-wide bonds and notes of the Farm Credit System;
- (d) Money market mutual funds registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940, whose shares are registered under the Federal Securities Act of 1933, and having a rating by S&P of at least AAAm-G, AAAm or AAm, and a rating by Moody's of Aaa, Aa1 or Aa2 (such funds may include those for which the Trustee or an affiliate receives and retains a fee for services provided to the fund, whether as a custodian, transfer agent, investment advisor or otherwise);
- (e) Unsecured certificates of deposit (having maturities of not more than 365 days) of any bank the short-term obligations of which are rated on the date of purchase "A-1+" or better by S&P and "P-1" by Moody's and or certificates of deposit (including those of the Trustee, its parent and its affiliates) secured at all times by collateral that may be used by a national bank for purposes of satisfying its obligations to collateralize pursuant to federal law which are issued by commercial banks, savings and loan associations or mutual savings bank whose short-term obligations are rated on the date of purchase A-1 or better by S&P, Moody's and Fitch;
- (f) Certificates of deposit, including those placed by a third party pursuant to an agreement between the Trustee and the Successor Agency, time deposits, deposit accounts, demand deposits, trust funds, trust accounts, overnight bank deposits, interest-bearing deposits, other deposit

products, or bankers acceptances of depository institutions, or interest bearing money market deposits or accounts (including those of the Trustee, its parent and its affiliates) that are fully insured by FDIC, including BIF and SAIF;

- (g) Investment agreements, including guaranteed investment contracts, forward purchase agreements, reserve fund put agreements and collateralized investment agreements with an entity rated "Aa" or better by Moody's and "AA" or better by S&P, or unconditionally guaranteed by an entity rated "Aa" or better by Moody's and "AA" or better by S&P;
- (h) Commercial paper rated, at the time of purchase, "Prime-1" by Moody's and "A-1+" or better by S&P;
- (i) Bonds or notes issued by any state or municipality which are rated by Moody's and S&P in one of the two highest rating categories assigned by such agencies;
- (j) Federal funds or bankers acceptances with a maximum term of one year of any bank which has an unsecured, uninsured and unguaranteed obligation rating of "Prime-1" or "A3" or better by Moody's, and "A-1+" by S&P; and
- (k) The Local Agency Investment Fund that is administered by the California Treasurer for the investment of funds belonging to local agencies within the State of California, provided that for investment of funds held by the Trustee, the Trustee is entitled to make investments and withdrawals in its own name as Trustee.

Ratings of Permitted Investments shall be determined at the time of purchase of such Permitted Investments and without regard to ratings subcategories.

"Pledged Tax Revenues" means all taxes (i) that were eligible for allocation to the Former Agency with respect to the Project Area and are allocated to the Successor Agency pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 33670) of the Law and Section 16 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State, or pursuant to other applicable State laws and (ii) that are deposited or available for deposit by the County Auditor-Controller in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund, all as provided in Section 34172(d) of the Dissolution Act.

"**Principal Account**" means the account by that name established and held by the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.03(b).

"Principal Corporate Trust Office" means the corporate trust office of the Trustee in Los Angeles, California, or such other or additional offices as the Trustee may designate in writing to the Successor Agency from time to time as the corporate trust office for purposes of the Indenture; except that with respect to presentation of Bonds for payment or for registration of transfer and exchange, such term means the office or agency of the Trustee at which, at any particular time, its corporate trust agency business is conducted.

"**Project Area**" means the Industrial Redevelopment Project Area adopted pursuant to the Redevelopment Plan described in Exhibit B.

"Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument" means (i) the 2022 Reserve Policy, and (ii) an irrevocable standby or direct-pay letter of credit, insurance policy, or surety bond issued by a commercial bank or insurance company and deposited with the Trustee with respect to other Bonds,

provided that all of the following requirements are met at the time of acceptance thereof by the Trustee: (a) S&P or Moody's have assigned a long-term credit rating to such bank or insurance company at the time of issuance of such Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument of "A" (without regard to modifier) or higher; (b) such letter of credit, insurance policy or surety bond has a term of at least 12 months; (c) such letter of credit, insurance policy or surety bond has a stated amount at least equal to the portion of the Reserve Requirement with respect to the Bonds with respect to which it is deposited or with respect to which funds are proposed to be released; and (d) the Trustee is authorized pursuant to the terms of such letter of credit, insurance policy or surety bond to draw thereunder an amount equal to any deficiencies which may exist from time to time in the Interest Account or the Principal Account for the purpose of making payments required pursuant to Sections 4.03(a), 4.03(b) or 4.03(c) of this Indenture.

- "Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule" means a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule, each prepared and approved from time to time pursuant to subdivision (o) of Section 34177 of the California Health and Safety Code.
- "Record Date" means, with respect to any Interest Payment Date, the close of business on the fifteenth (15th) calendar day of the month preceding such Interest Payment Date, whether or not such fifteenth (15th) calendar day is a Business Day.
- "Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund" means the fund by that name established pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 34170.5(a) and administered by the Successor Agency.
- "Redevelopment Plan" means the City of Vernon Amended Redevelopment Plan for the First Amendment to the Industrial Redevelopment Project for the Project Area described in Exhibit B, as such Redevelopment Plan has heretofore been amended and as it may hereafter be amended in accordance with the law.
- "Redevelopment Project" means the undertaking of the Successor Agency pursuant to the Redevelopment Plan and the Law for the redevelopment of the Project Area.
- "Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund" and "RPTTF" mean the fund by that name established pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Sections 34170.5(b) and 34172(c) and administered by the County Auditor-Controller.
  - "**Refunded Obligations**" means, collectively, the 2005 Bonds and the 2011 Bonds.
- "**Refunding Law**" means Article 11 (commencing with Section 53580) of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code of the State, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplemented thereto.
- "**Registration Books**" means the records maintained by the Trustee pursuant to Section 2.08 for the registration and transfer of ownership of the Bonds.
- "Report" means a document in writing signed by an Independent Redevelopment Consultant and including:
- (a) a statement that the person or firm making or giving such Report has read the pertinent provisions of this Indenture to which such Report relates;

- (b) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the Report is based; and
- (c) a statement that, in the opinion of such person or firm, sufficient examination or investigation was made as is necessary to enable said consultant to express an informed opinion with respect to the subject matter referred to in the Report.

"Reserve Account" means the account by that name established and held by the Trustee pursuant to Section 4.03(c).

"Reserve Requirement" means, subject to Section 4.03(c) of this Indenture, with respect to the 2022 Bonds or any series (or multiple series) of Parity Debt for which a debt service reserve account or fund is to be funded and as of any date of computation, the lesser of:

- (i) 125% of the average Annual Debt Service with respect to such series (or multiple series) of Bonds,
- (ii) Maximum Annual Debt Service with respect to such series (or multiple series) of Bonds, or
- (iii) with respect to such series (or multiple series) of Bonds, 10% of the original principal amount of such series (or multiple series) of Bonds (or, if such series (or multiple series) of Bonds has more than a de minimis amount of original issue discount or premium, 10% of the issue price of such series (or multiple series) of Bonds);

provided, that in no event shall the Successor Agency, in connection with the issuance or incurrence of Parity Debt be obligated to deposit an amount in the Reserve Account which is in excess of the amount permitted by the applicable provisions of the Code to be so deposited from the proceeds of taxexempt bonds without having to restrict the yield of any investment purchased with any portion of such deposit and, in the event the amount of any such deposit into the Reserve Account is so limited, the Reserve Requirement shall, in connection with the issuance of such Parity Debt, be increased only by the amount of such deposit as permitted by the Code; and, provided further that the Successor Agency may meet all or a portion of the Reserve Requirement by depositing a Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument meeting the requirements of Section 4.03(c) hereof. For the avoidance of doubt, the Reserve Requirement for any Bonds may, at the option and instruction of the Successor Agency, be determined on a combined or standalone basis. As of the Closing Date, the Reserve Requirement for ; the Reserve Requirement for the 2022 Bonds shall not increase following the Closing Date. The Trustee shall not be under any obligation to determine or compute whether or to what extent any amount on deposit or required to be on deposit in the Reserve Account in connection with an issuance of Parity Debt is in excess of the amount permitted by applicable provisions of the Code to be so deposited without yield restriction, as provided in this definition.

"ROPS Period" means each annual period beginning on July 1 of any calendar year and ending on June 30 of the next calendar year, or such other period as provided in the Dissolution Act.

"S&P" means S&P Global Ratings, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business, or any successor thereto.

- "Securities Depositories" means The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York 10041-0099, Fax-(212) 855-7232; or, in accordance with then current guidelines of the Securities and Exchange Commission, such other addresses and/or such other securities depositories as the Successor Agency may designate in a Written Request of the Successor Agency delivered to the Trustee.
- "**Special Fund**" means the fund held by the Successor Agency established within the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund pursuant to Section 4.02.
  - "State" means the State of California.
- "Supplemental Indenture" means any supplement to this Indenture which has been duly adopted or entered into by the Successor Agency, but only if and to the extent that such Supplemental Indenture is specifically authorized hereunder.
- "Trustee" means The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee hereunder, or any successor thereto appointed as trustee hereunder in accordance with the provisions of Article VI.
- "Written Request of the Successor Agency" or "Written Certificate of the Successor Agency" means a request or certificate, in writing signed by the [Executive Director or Finance Director] of the Successor Agency, or the designee of either, or by any other officer of the Successor Agency or the City duly authorized by the Successor Agency for that purpose.
- "2005 Bonds" means the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2005.
- "2005 Bonds Escrow Agreement" means that certain Escrow Agreement (2005 Bonds) dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_1, 2022, by and between the Successor Agency and the Escrow Bank, relating to the 2005 Bonds.
- **"2011 Bonds"** means the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds Series 2011 (Federally Taxable).
- "2011 Bonds Escrow Agreement" means that certain Escrow Agreement (2011 Bonds) dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_1, 2022, by and between the Successor Agency and the Escrow Bank, relating to the 2007 Bonds.
  - "2022 Bonds" means, collectively, the 2022A Bonds and the 2022B Bonds.
- "2022A Bonds" means the \$\_\_\_\_\_ initial aggregate principal amount of Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022A.
- "2022B Bonds" means the \$\_\_\_\_\_ initial aggregate principal amount of Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022B (Federally Taxable).
- ["2022 Insurance Policy" means the insurance policy issued by the 2022 Insurer guaranteeing the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the 2022 Bonds when due.]
  - ["2022 Insurer" means \_\_\_\_\_\_, or any successor thereto or assignee thereof.]

["2022 Reserve Policy" means the Municipal Bond Debt Service Reserve Insurance Policy issued by the 2022 Insurer guaranteeing certain payments into the Reserve Account with respect to the 2022 Bonds as provided therein and subject to the limitation set forth therein.]

**Section 1.03 Rules of Construction**. All references herein to "Articles," "Sections" and other subdivisions are to the corresponding Articles, Sections or subdivisions of this Indenture, and the words "herein," "hereof," "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or subdivision hereof.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### **AUTHORIZATION AND TERMS**

Section 2.01 Authorization of 2022 Bonds. Two initial series of Bonds are hereby authorized to be issued by the Successor Agency under and subject to the terms of this Indenture, the Refunding Law, the Dissolution Act and the Law. This Indenture constitutes a continuing agreement with the Owners of all of the Bonds issued or to be issued hereunder and then Outstanding to secure the full and final payment of principal and redemption premiums (if any) and the interest on all Bonds which may from time to time be executed and delivered hereunder, subject to the covenants, agreements, provisions and conditions herein contained. Such initial issues of Bonds shall be designated the "Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022A," issued in the initial aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the "Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022B (Federally Taxable)," issued in the initial aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

## Section 2.02 Terms of 2022 Bonds.

(a) The 2022A Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form without coupons. The 2022A Bonds shall be issued in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, so long as no 2022A Bond shall have more than one maturity date. The 2022A Bonds shall be dated as of their Closing Date. The 2022A Bonds shall be lettered and numbered as the Participating Underwriter shall prescribe.

The 2022A Bonds shall mature and shall bear interest (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months) at the rate per annum as follows:

Maturity DatePrincipalInterest(September 1)AmountRate

(b) The 2022B Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form without coupons. The 2022B Bonds shall be issued in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, so long as no 2022B Bond shall have more than one maturity date. The 2022B Bonds shall be dated as of their Closing Date. The 2022B Bonds shall be lettered and numbered as the Participating Underwriter shall prescribe.

The 2022B Bonds shall mature and shall bear interest (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months) at the rate per annum as follows:

Maturity DatePrincipalInterest(September 1)AmountRate

(c) Each 2022 Bond shall bear interest from the Interest Payment Date next preceding the date of authentication thereof, unless (a) it is authenticated after a Record Date and on or before the following Interest Payment Date, in which event it shall bear interest from such Interest

Payment Date; or (b) it is authenticated on or before \_\_\_\_\_\_15, 20\_\_, in which event it shall bear interest from its Closing Date; provided, however, that if, as of the date of authentication of any 2022 Bond, interest thereon is in default, such 2022 Bond shall bear interest from the Interest Payment Date to which interest has previously been paid or made available for payment thereon.

Interest on the 2022 Bonds (including the final interest payment upon maturity or redemption) is payable when due by wire or check of the Trustee mailed on the Interest Payment Date to the Owner thereof at such Owner's address as it appears on the Registration Books at the close of business on the preceding Record Date; provided that at the written request of the Owner of at least \$1,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 2022 Bonds, which written request is on file with the Trustee as of any Record Date, interest on such 2022 Bonds shall be paid on the succeeding Interest Payment Date by wire to such account in the United States as shall be specified in such written request. The principal of the 2022 Bonds and premium, if any, upon redemption, are payable in lawful money of the United States of America upon presentation and surrender thereof at the Principal Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee.

## **Section 2.03** Redemption of 2022 Bonds.

- (a) Optional Redemption of 2022A Bonds. The 2022A Bonds maturing on or prior to September 1, 20\_\_ are not subject to optional redemption. The 2022A Bonds maturing on or after September 1, 20\_\_, are subject to optional redemption prior to their respective maturity dates as a whole, or in part by lot, on any date on or after September 1, 20\_\_, by such maturity or maturities as shall be directed by the Successor Agency (or in absence of such direction, pro rata by maturity and by lot within a maturity), from any source of available funds. Such optional redemption shall be at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued but unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption, without premium. Any such optional redemption of the 2022A Bonds shall be at the election of the Successor Agency, which shall give written notice thereof to the Trustee (which notice shall include the principal amount of 2022A Bonds to be optionally redeemed together with the redemption date) no later than five (5) Business Days prior to the date when the Trustee is required to give notice of such optional redemption pursuant to Section 2.03(e).
- (b) Optional Redemption of 2022B Bonds. The 2022B Bonds maturing on or prior to September 1, 20\_\_ are not subject to optional redemption. The 2022B Bonds maturing on or after September 1, 20\_\_, are subject to optional redemption prior to their respective maturity dates as a whole, or in part by lot, on any date on or after September 1, 20\_\_, by such maturity or maturities as shall be directed by the Successor Agency (or in absence of such direction, pro rata by maturity and by lot within a maturity), from any source of available funds. Such optional redemption shall be at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued but unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption, without premium. Any such optional redemption of the 2022B Bonds shall be at the election of the Successor Agency, which shall give written notice thereof to the Trustee (which notice shall include the principal amount of 2022B Bonds to be optionally redeemed together with the redemption date) no later than five (5) Business Days prior to the date when the Trustee is required to give notice of such optional redemption pursuant to Section 2.03(e).
- (c) <u>Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of 2022A Bonds</u>. The 2022A Bonds maturing September 1, 20\_\_ and September 1, \_\_ (the "2022A Term Bonds") shall also be subject to mandatory redemption in whole, or in part by lot, on September 1 in each year, commencing September 1, 20\_\_ and September 1, 20\_\_, respectively, as set forth below, from sinking fund payments made by the Successor Agency to the Principal Account pursuant to Section 4.03(b), at a

redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, without premium, in the aggregate respective principal amounts and on September 1 in the respective years as set forth in the following tables; provided however, that (y) in lieu of redemption thereof such 2022A Term Bonds may be purchased by the Successor Agency pursuant to Section 2.03(k), and (z) if some but not all of such 2022A Term Bonds have been redeemed pursuant to subsection (a) above, the total amount of all future sinking fund payments shall be reduced by the aggregate principal amount of such 2022A Term Bonds so redeemed, to be allocated among such sinking fund payments in integral multiples of \$5,000 as determined by the Successor Agency (written notice of which determination shall be given by the Successor Agency to the Trustee and shall include a revised sinking fund schedule).

2022A Term Bonds of 20

September 1

Principal Amount

2022A Term Bonds of 20\_\_

September 1

Principal Amount

(d) Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of 2022B Bonds. The 2022B Bonds maturing September 1, 20\_ and September 1, \_\_ (the "2022B Term Bonds") shall also be subject to mandatory redemption in whole, or in part by lot, on September 1 in each year, commencing September 1, 20\_ and September 1, 20\_, respectively, as set forth below, from sinking fund payments made by the Successor Agency to the Principal Account pursuant to Section 4.03(b), at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, without premium, in the aggregate respective principal amounts and on September 1 in the respective years as set forth in the following tables; provided however, that (y) in lieu of redemption thereof such 2022B Term Bonds may be purchased by the Successor Agency pursuant to Section 2.03(k), and (z) if some but not all of such 2022B Term Bonds have been redeemed pursuant to subsection (b) above, the total amount of all future sinking fund payments shall be reduced by the aggregate principal amount of such 2022B Term Bonds so redeemed, to be allocated among such sinking fund payments in integral multiples of \$5,000 as determined by the Successor Agency (written notice of which determination shall be given by the Successor Agency to the Trustee and shall include a revised sinking fund schedule).

## 2022B Term Bonds of 20\_\_

September 1

Principal Amount

2022B Term Bonds of 20\_\_

September 1

Principal Amount

- Notice of Redemption; Rescission. Subject to its timely receipt of notice from (e) the Successor Agency of its election to optionally redeem the 2022 Bonds, in the case of an optional redemption pursuant to Section 2.03(a) or Section 2.03(b), the Trustee on behalf and at the expense of the Successor Agency shall mail (by first class mail, postage prepaid) notice of any redemption at least twenty (20) but not more than sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date, (i) to any Insurer and to the Owners of any Bonds designated for redemption at their respective addresses appearing on the Registration Books, and (ii) to the Securities Depositories and one or more Information Services designated in a Written Request of the Successor Agency filed with the Trustee; but such mailing shall not be a condition precedent to such redemption and neither failure to receive any such notice nor any defect therein shall affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of such Bonds or the cessation of the accrual of interest thereon. Such notice shall state the redemption date and the redemption price, shall state, in the case of a redemption pursuant to (a) or (b) above, that such redemption is conditioned upon the timely delivery of the redemption price by the Successor Agency to the Trustee for deposit in the Redemption Account, shall designate the CUSIP number of the Bonds to be redeemed, shall state the individual number of each Bond to be redeemed or shall state that all Bonds between two stated numbers (both inclusive) or all of the Bonds Outstanding are to be redeemed, and shall require that such Bonds be then surrendered at the Principal Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee for redemption at the redemption price, giving notice also that (subject to timely delivery of the redemption price by the Successor Agency to the Trustee for deposit in the Redemption Account) further interest on such Bonds will not accrue from and after the redemption date, and that such notice of optional redemption shall be canceled and annulled if for any reason funds will not be or are not available on the date fixed for redemption, as provided in Section 2.03(f).
- (f) The Successor Agency shall have the right to rescind any notice of optional redemption by written notice to the Trustee on or prior to the date fixed for redemption and such rescission shall not constitute an Event of Default under this Indenture. Any such notice of optional redemption shall be canceled and annulled if for any reason funds will not be or are not available on the date fixed for redemption for the payment in full of the Bonds then called for redemption, and such cancellation shall not constitute an Event of Default under this Indenture. The Successor Agency and the Trustee shall have no liability to the Owners or any other party related to or arising from any such

rescission or cancellation of redemption. The Trustee shall mail notice of such rescission of redemption in the same manner and to the same recipients as the original notice of redemption was sent.

- (g) Upon the payment of the redemption price of Bonds being redeemed, each check or other transfer of funds issued for such purpose shall, to the extent practicable, bear the CUSIP number identifying, by issue and maturity, the Bonds being redeemed with the proceeds of such check or other transfer.
- (h) <u>Partial Redemption of Bonds</u>. In the event only a portion of any Bond is called for redemption, then upon surrender of such Bond the Successor Agency shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Owner thereof, at the expense of the Successor Agency, a new Bond or Bonds of the same interest rate and maturity, of authorized denominations, in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond to be redeemed.
- (i) <u>Effect of Redemption</u>. From and after the date fixed for redemption, if funds available for the payment of the redemption price of and interest on the Bonds so called for redemption shall have been duly deposited with the Trustee, such Bonds so called shall cease to be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture other than the right to receive payment of the redemption price and accrued interest to the redemption date, and no interest shall accrue thereon from and after the redemption date specified in such notice.
- (j) Manner of Redemption. Whenever any Bonds or portions thereof are to be selected for redemption by lot, the Trustee shall make such selection, in such manner as the Trustee shall deem appropriate, and shall notify the Successor Agency thereof to the extent Bonds are no longer held in book-entry form. In the event of redemption by lot of Bonds, the Trustee shall assign to each Bond then Outstanding a distinctive number for each \$5,000 of the principal amount of each such Bond. The Bonds to be redeemed shall be the Bonds to which were assigned numbers so selected, but only so much of the principal amount of each such Bond of a denomination of more than \$5,000 shall be redeemed as shall equal \$5,000 for each number assigned to it and so selected. All Bonds redeemed or purchased pursuant to this Section 2.03 shall be cancelled and destroyed.
- (k) <u>Purchase in Lieu of Redemption</u>. In lieu of redemption of the Bonds, amounts on deposit in the Special Fund or in the Principal Account may also be used and withdrawn by the Successor Agency and the Trustee, respectively, at any time, upon the Written Request of the Successor Agency, for the purchase of the Bonds at public or private sale as and when and at such prices (including brokerage and other charges, but excluding accrued interest, which is payable from the Interest Account) as the Successor Agency may in its discretion determine. The par amount of any Bonds so purchased by the Successor Agency in any twelve-month period ending on August 1 in any year shall be credited towards and shall reduce the par amount of the Bonds required to be redeemed pursuant to a Supplemental Indenture on September 1 in each year; provided that evidence satisfactory to the Trustee of such purchase has been delivered to the Trustee by said August 1.
- **Section 2.04** Form of 2022 Bonds. The 2022 Bonds, the form of Trustee's Certificate of Authentication, and the form of Assignment to appear thereon, shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein, with necessary or appropriate variations, omissions and insertions, as permitted or required by this Indenture.

Section 2.05 Execution of Bonds. The Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the Successor Agency by the signature of its Executive Director or his or her written designee and the signature of its Secretary who are in office on the date of execution and delivery of this Indenture or at any time thereafter. If any officer whose signature appears on any Bond ceases to be such officer before delivery of the Bonds to the purchaser, such signature shall nevertheless be as effective as if the officer had remained in office until the delivery of the Bonds to the purchaser. Any Bond may be signed and attested on behalf of the Successor Agency by such persons as at the actual date of the execution of such Bond shall be the proper officers of the Successor Agency although on the date of such Bond any such person shall not have been such officer of the Successor Agency.

Only such of the Bonds as shall bear thereon a Certificate of Authentication in the form hereinbefore set forth, executed and dated by the Trustee by manual or facsimile signature, shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or entitled to the benefits of this Indenture, and such Certificate shall be conclusive evidence that such Bonds have been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder and are entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.

Signatures on the Bonds on behalf of the Successor Agency required by this Section may be made manually or may be affixed by facsimile thereof.

Section 2.06 Transfer of Bonds. Any Bond may, in accordance with its terms, be transferred, upon the Registration Books, by the person in whose name it is registered, in person or by a duly authorized attorney of such person, upon surrender of such Bond to the Trustee at its Principal Corporate Trust Office for cancellation, accompanied by delivery of a written instrument of transfer in a form acceptable to the Trustee, duly executed. Whenever any Bond shall be surrendered for transfer, the Successor Agency shall execute and the Trustee shall thereupon authenticate and deliver to the transferee a new Bond or Bonds of like series, tenor, maturity and aggregate principal amount of authorized denominations. The Holder requesting such transfer shall as a condition precedent to the exercise of the privilege of making such transfer remit to the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such transfer. The cost of printing Bonds and any services rendered or expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with any transfer shall be paid by the Successor Agency.

The Trustee may refuse to transfer, under the provisions of this Section 2.06, either (a) any Bonds during the period fifteen (15) days prior to the date established by the Trustee for the selection of Bonds for redemption, or (b) any Bonds selected by the Trustee for redemption. The Trustee may further require all information it deems necessary to allow the Trustee to comply with any applicable reporting or withholding obligations under the Code. The Trustee may rely on the information provided to it and shall have no responsibility to verify or ensure the accuracy of such information. To the extent any such information is not timely provided or is incomplete or inaccurate in any respect, the Trustee will be entitled to report or withhold on any payments hereunder, without liability, to the extent it determines in its discretion such reporting or withholding, as applicable, is required under the Code.

Prior to any transfer of the Bonds outside the book-entry system (including, but not limited to, the initial transfer outside the book-entry system) the transferor shall provide or cause to be provided to the Trustee all information necessary to allow the Trustee to comply with any applicable tax reporting obligations, including without limitation any cost basis reporting obligations under Internal Revenue Code Section 6045, as amended. The Trustee shall conclusively rely on the information provided to it and shall have no responsibility to verify or ensure the accuracy of such information.

**Section 2.07 Exchange of Bonds**. Bonds may be exchanged at the Principal Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee for Bonds of the same series, tenor and maturity and of other authorized denominations. The Holder requesting such exchange shall as a condition precedent to the exercise of the privilege of making such exchange remit to the Trustee an amount sufficient to pay any tax or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange. The cost of printing Bonds and any services rendered or expenses incurred by the Trustee in connection with any exchange shall be paid by the Successor Agency.

The Trustee may refuse to exchange, under the provisions of this Section 2.07, either (a) any Bonds during the fifteen (15) days prior to the date established by the Trustee for the selection of Bonds for redemption or (b) any Bonds selected by the Trustee for redemption. The Trustee may further require all information it deems necessary to allow the Trustee to comply with any applicable reporting or withholding obligations under the Code. The Trustee may rely on the information provided to it and shall have no responsibility to verify or ensure the accuracy of such information. To the extent any such information is not timely provided or is incomplete or inaccurate in any respect, the Trustee will be entitled to report or withhold on any payments hereunder, without liability, to the extent it determines in its discretion such reporting or withholding, as applicable, is required under the Code.

**Section 2.08 Registration of Bonds**. The Trustee will keep or cause to be kept, at its Principal Corporate Trust Office, sufficient records for the registration and registration of transfer of the Bonds, which shall at all times during normal business hours be open to inspection and copying by the Successor Agency, upon reasonable prior notice to the Trustee; and, upon presentation for such purpose, the Trustee shall, under such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, register or transfer or cause to be registered or transferred, on the Registration Books Bonds as hereinbefore provided.

Section 2.09 Bonds Mutilated, Lost, Destroyed or Stolen. If any Bond shall become mutilated, the Successor Agency, at the expense of the Owner of such Bond, shall execute, and the Trustee shall thereupon authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like tenor and amount in exchange and substitution for the Bond so mutilated, but only upon surrender to the Trustee of the Bond so mutilated. Every mutilated Bond so surrendered to the Trustee shall be canceled by it. If any Bond shall be lost, destroyed or stolen, evidence of such loss, destruction or theft may be submitted to the Trustee and, if such evidence be satisfactory to the Trustee and Successor Agency and indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee and Successor Agency shall be given, the Successor Agency, at the expense of the Owner, shall execute, and the Trustee shall thereupon authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like tenor and amount in lieu of and in substitution for the Bond so lost, destroyed or stolen (or if any such Bond has matured or has been called for redemption, instead of issuing a substitute Bond, the Trustee may pay the same without surrender thereof upon receipt of indemnity satisfactory to the Trustee and the Successor Agency). The Successor Agency may require payment by the Owner of a sum not exceeding the actual cost of preparing each new Bond issued under this Section 2.09 and of the expenses which may be incurred by the Successor Agency and the Trustee in the premises. Any Bond issued under the provisions of this Section in lieu of any Bond alleged to be lost, destroyed or stolen shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation on the part of the Successor Agency whether or not the Bond so alleged to be lost, destroyed or stolen be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be equally and proportionately entitled to the benefits of this Indenture with all other Bonds issued pursuant to this Indenture.

## Section 2.10 Book-Entry System.

(a) <u>Original Delivery</u>. The Bonds shall be initially delivered in the form of a separate single fully registered Bond without coupons (which may be typewritten) for each maturity of the Bonds. Upon initial delivery, the ownership of each such Bond shall be registered on the Registration Books in the name of the Nominee. Except as provided in subsection (c), the ownership of all of the Outstanding Bonds shall be registered in the name of the Nominee on the Registration Books.

With respect to Bonds the ownership of which shall be registered in the name of the Nominee, neither the Successor Agency nor the Trustee shall have any responsibility or obligation to any Depository System Participant or to any person on behalf of which the Depository System Participant holds an interest in the Bonds. Without limiting the generality of the immediately preceding sentence, neither the Successor Agency nor the Trustee shall have any responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of the Depository, the Nominee or any Depository System Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds, (ii) the delivery to any Depository System Participant or any other person, other than a Bondowner as shown in the Registration Books, of any notice with respect to the Bonds, including any notice of redemption, (iii) the selection by the Depository of the beneficial interests in the Bonds to be redeemed in the event the Successor Agency elects to redeem the Bonds in part, (iv) the payment to any Depository System Participant or any other person, other than a Bondowner as shown in the Registration Books, of any amount with respect to principal, premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds or (v) any consent given or other action taken by the Depository as Owner of the Bonds. The Successor Agency and the Trustee may treat and consider the person in whose name each Bond is registered as the absolute owner of such Bond for the purpose of payment of principal, premium and interest on such Bond, for the purpose of giving notices of redemption and other matters with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of registering transfers of ownership of such Bond, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Trustee shall pay the principal of and interest and premium, if any, on the Bonds only to the respective Owners or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge all obligations with respect to payment of principal of and interest and premium, if any, on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than a Bondowner shall receive a Bond evidencing the obligation of the Successor Agency to make payments of principal, interest and premium, if any, pursuant to this Indenture. Upon delivery by the Depository to the Nominee of written notice to the effect that the Depository has determined to substitute a new nominee in its place, and subject to the provisions herein with respect to Record Dates, such new nominee shall become the Nominee hereunder for all purposes; and upon receipt of such a notice the Successor Agency shall promptly deliver a copy of the same to the Trustee.

(b) Representation Letter. In order to qualify the Bonds for the Depository's bookentry system, the Successor Agency shall execute and deliver to such Depository a letter representing such matters as shall be necessary to so qualify the Bonds. The execution and delivery of such letter shall not in any way limit the provisions of subsection (a) above or in any other way impose upon the Successor Agency or the Trustee any obligation whatsoever with respect to persons having interests in the Bonds other than the Bondowners. The Trustee agrees to comply with all provisions in such letter with respect to the giving of notices thereunder by the Trustee. In addition to the execution and delivery of such letter, upon written request of the Depository or the Trustee, the Successor Agency may take any other actions, not inconsistent with this Indenture, to qualify the Bonds for the Depository's bookentry program.

- Transfers Outside Book-Entry System. In the event that either (i) the (c) Depository determines not to continue to act as Depository for the Bonds, or (ii) the Successor Agency determines to terminate the Depository as such, then the Successor Agency shall thereupon discontinue the book-entry system with such Depository. In such event, the Depository shall cooperate with the Successor Agency and the Trustee in the issuance of replacement Bonds by providing the Trustee with a list showing the interests of the Depository System Participants in the Bonds, and by surrendering the Bonds, registered in the name of the Nominee, to the Trustee on or before the date such replacement Bonds are to be issued. The Depository, by accepting delivery of the Bonds, agrees to be bound by the provisions of this subsection (c). If, prior to the termination of the Depository acting as such, the Successor Agency fails to identify another Securities Depository to replace the Depository, then the Bonds shall no longer be required to be registered in the Registration Books in the name of the Nominee, but shall be registered in whatever name or names the Owners transferring or exchanging Bonds shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of this Article II. Prior to its termination, the Depository shall furnish the Trustee with the names and addresses of the Depository System Participants and respective ownership interests thereof.
- (d) <u>Payments to the Nominee</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of the Nominee, all payments with respect to principal of and interest and premium, if any, on such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bond shall be made and given, respectively, as provided in the letter described in subsection (b) of this Section or as otherwise instructed by the Depository.
- **Section 2.11 Applicability of Provisions to Parity Debt**. Unless otherwise provided in a Supplemental Indenture, the provisions of subdivisions (e) through (k) of Section 2.03 and Sections 2.05 through 2.10 shall apply to all Bonds unless otherwise provided in a Parity Debt Instrument or Supplemental Indenture.

## **ARTICLE III**

# **DEPOSIT AND APPLICATION; ADDITIONAL DEBT**

**Section 3.01 Issuance of Bonds**. Upon the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Successor Agency shall execute and deliver to the Trustee the 2022A Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ and the 2022B Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_ and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver the 2022 Bonds upon the Written Request of the Successor Agency.

## Section 3.02 Application of Proceeds of Sale and Certain Other Amounts.

(a) (Trustee shall be applied	On the Closing Date the proceeds of sal as follows:	e of the 2022A Bonds received by the
Account of the Costs of	The Trustee shall deposit the audissuance Fund.	mount of \$ in the 2022A
`	ii) The Trustee shall transfer \$ablished under the 2005 Bonds Escrow	to the Escrow Bank for deposit Agreement.

(b) Trustee shall be applie		Closing Date the proceeds of sale of the 2022B Bonds received by the ows:
Account of the Costs of	` '	The Trustee shall deposit the amount of \$ in the 2022B ce Fund.
into the escrow fund es	` '	The Trustee shall transfer \$ to the Escrow Bank for deposit d under the 2011 Bonds Escrow Agreement.
The Trustee m	av estab	olish and maintain for so long as is necessary one or more temporary

The Trustee may establish and maintain for so long as is necessary one or more temporary funds and accounts (or sub-accounts) under this Indenture, including but not limited to a temporary fund for holding the proceeds of the Bonds.

**Section 3.03** Costs of Issuance Fund. There is hereby established a separate fund to be known as the "Costs of Issuance Fund" and a 2022A Account and a 2022B Account therein, which shall be held by the Trustee in trust. The moneys in the Costs of Issuance Fund shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee from time to time to pay the Costs of Issuance with respect to the 2022 Bonds upon submission of a Written Request of the Successor Agency stating the person to whom payment is to be made, the amount to be paid, the purpose for which the obligation was incurred and that such payment is a proper charge against said fund. Each such Written Request of the Successor Agency shall be sufficient evidence to the Trustee of the facts stated therein and the Trustee shall have no duty to confirm the accuracy of such facts and shall be fully protected in relying thereon. On the date which is six (6) months following the Closing Date with respect to the 2022 Bonds, or upon the earlier Written Request of the Successor Agency, all amounts (if any) remaining in the 2022A Account of the Costs of Issuance Fund shall be withdrawn therefrom by the Trustee and transferred to the 2022A Account of the Interest Account within the Debt Service Fund, all amounts (if any) remaining in the 2022B Account of the Costs of Issuance Fund shall be withdrawn therefrom by the Trustee and transferred to the 2022B Account of the Interest Account within the Debt Service Fund, and the Costs of Issuance Fund and accounts therein shall be closed.

- **Section 3.04 Issuance of Parity Debt**. In addition to the 2022 Bonds, the Successor Agency may issue Parity Debt to refund any outstanding 2022 Bonds or Parity Debt for savings, in such principal amount as shall be determined by the Successor Agency. The Successor Agency may issue and deliver any such Parity Debt subject to the following specific conditions all of which are hereby made conditions precedent to the issuance and delivery of such Parity Debt:
- (a) No Event of Default hereunder and no event of default under any Parity Debt Instrument shall have occurred and be continuing unless cured by the issuance of such Parity Debt;
- (b) The Parity Debt shall be issued to provide savings to the Successor Agency in compliance with Health and Safety Code Section 34177.5(a);
- (c) A Supplemental Indenture or Parity Debt Instrument shall have been adopted which shall (i) state the applicable reserve requirement and the amount, if any, to be deposited from the proceeds of sale of such Parity Debt in a separate account of the Reserve Account or other debt service reserve account or fund as provided in such Supplemental Indenture or Parity Debt Instrument, to be held as separate security for such series of Parity Debt; (ii) designate accounts and subaccounts within the Debt Service Fund, including within the Reserve Account if applicable, to be used in

connection with such Parity Debt; and (iii) set forth such other provisions that are appropriate or necessary and are not inconsistent with the provisions hereof; and

(d) The Successor Agency shall deliver to the Trustee a Written Certificate of the Successor Agency certifying that the conditions precedent to the issuance of such Parity Debt set forth above have been satisfied.

**Section 3.05 Issuance of Subordinate Debt.** Notwithstanding the foregoing, no provision herein shall prevent the Successor Agency from issuing additional bonds or incurring other loans, advances or indebtedness payable from Pledged Tax Revenues on a subordinate basis to the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

# SECURITY OF BONDS; FLOW OF FUNDS

**Section 4.01** Security of Bonds; Equal Security. Subject to the provisions of Section 4.02 and Section 6.06 hereof allowing for the application of Pledged Tax Revenues, all Pledged Tax Revenues and the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund, including the Special Fund therein, and all amounts in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund are irrevocably pledged under this Indenture to secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the 2022 Bonds and all Parity Debt without preference or priority for series, issue, number, dated date, sale date, date of execution or date of delivery. Such pledge shall constitute a lien on and security interest in the Pledged Tax Revenues and the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund, including the Special Fund therein, and all amounts in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund, and will attach, be perfected and be valid and binding against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the Successor Agency, irrespective of whether such parties have notice of this Indenture; provided however, the parties hereto acknowledge that the County Auditor-Controller is authorized by Section 34183(a) of the Dissolution Act to use Pledged Tax Revenues to pay the County's administrative costs allowed under Section 34182 and Section 95.3 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and is required by Section 34183(a)(1) of the Dissolution Act to pay Pledged Tax Revenues to taxing entities pursuant to Pass-Through Agreements and Sections 33607.5 and 33607.7 of the Law (unless such payments are subordinated to payments on the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt pursuant to Section 33607.5(e) of the Law or 34177.5(c) of the Dissolution Act). Except for the Pledged Tax Revenues, such amounts and such funds and accounts, no other moneys, funds, accounts or properties of the Successor Agency are pledged to, or otherwise liable for, the payment of principal of or interest or redemption premium (if any) on the 2022 Bonds or Parity Debt except as provided in the following paragraph with respect to the 2022 Bonds and other Bonds.

The Debt Service Fund and any fund or account or sub-accounts created under this Indenture (other than the Costs of Issuance Fund and the Rebate Fund), including amounts on deposit therein (including proceeds of the 2022 Bonds), are irrevocably pledged under this Indenture to secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the 2022 Bonds and other Bonds without preference or priority for series issue, number, dated date, sale date, date of execution or date of delivery. Such pledge shall constitute a first and exclusive lien on and security interest in the Debt Service Fund and any other fund or account created under this Indenture, and including amounts on deposit therein (including proceeds of the 2022 Bonds), and will attach, be perfected and be valid and binding against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the Successor Agency, irrespective of whether such parties have notice of this Indenture, subject to Section 6.06.

The parties acknowledge that Section 34177.5(g) of the Dissolution Act provides that the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt are further secured by a pledge of, and lien on moneys deposited in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund held by the County Auditor Controller related to the Successor Agency, which moneys, subject to the payment by the County Auditor Controller of certain amounts to the County for administrative costs allowed under Section 34182 and Section 95.3 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and to taxing entities pursuant to Pass-Through Agreements and Sections 33607.5 and 33607.7 of the Law (unless such payments are subordinated to payments on the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt pursuant to Section 33607.5(e) of the Law or Section 34177.5(c) of the Dissolution Act).

In consideration of the acceptance of the 2022 Bonds and other Bonds by those who shall hold the same from time to time, this Indenture shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract between the Successor Agency and the Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and the covenants and agreements herein set forth to be performed on behalf of the Successor Agency shall be for the equal and proportionate benefit, security and protection of all Owners of the 2022 Bonds and other Bonds without preference, priority or distinction as to security or otherwise of any of the 2022 Bonds and other Bonds over any of the others by reason of the number or date thereof or the time of sale, execution and delivery thereof, or otherwise for any cause whatsoever, except as expressly provided therein or herein.

Section 4.02 Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund; Special Fund; Deposit of Pledged Tax Revenues. There is hereby established a special fund to be known as the "Special Fund" which is to be held by the Successor Agency within the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund. The Special Fund shall be held by the Successor Agency separate and apart from other funds of the Successor Agency.

The Successor Agency shall deposit all of the Pledged Tax Revenues received with respect to any ROPS Period into the Special Fund promptly upon receipt thereof by the Successor Agency in accordance with Section 5.13 hereof. Except as may be provided to the contrary in this Indenture or in any Supplemental Indenture or Parity Debt Instrument, upon receipt by the Successor Agency of money from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund requested in accordance with Section 5.13, subdivisions (b) or (c), as applicable, on each January 2 and June 1 or other date(s) on which Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund moneys are distributed to the Successor Agency, and deposit of such amounts into the Special Fund, all Pledged Tax Revenues received by the Successor Agency in excess of such amounts shall be released from the pledge and lien hereunder and shall be applied in accordance with the Law and the Dissolution Act, including but not limited to the payment of debt service on any subordinate debt. Prior to the payment in full of the principal of and interest and redemption premium (if any) on the Bonds and the payment in full of all other amounts payable hereunder and under any Supplemental Indentures or other Parity Debt Instrument, the Successor Agency shall not have any beneficial right or interest in the moneys on deposit in the Special Fund, except as may be provided in this Indenture and in any Supplemental Indenture or other Parity Debt Instrument.

Section 4.03 Deposit of Amounts by Trustee. There is hereby established a trust fund to be known as the Debt Service Fund, which shall be held by the Trustee hereunder in trust. If Parity Debt is issued under a Supplemental Indenture, the Trustee shall establish subaccounts within each account for each issue of Parity Debt, including a separate subaccount of the Reserve Account as security for Parity Debt pursuant to and as provided in a Supplemental Indenture to the extent provided under Section 3.04 hereof, if applicable. Moneys in the Special Fund shall be transferred by the

Successor Agency to the Trustee in the following amounts, at the following times, and deposited by the Trustee in the following respective special accounts, which are hereby established in the Debt Service Fund, and in the following order of priority (provided further that, if on the fifth (5th) Business Day prior to the date the Successor Agency is required to transfer amounts on deposit in the Special Fund to the Trustee there are not amounts on deposit therein sufficient to make the following deposits, taking into account amounts required to be transferred with respect to Bonds other than the 2022 Bonds, the Successor Agency shall immediately notify the Trustee of the amount of any such insufficiency and the Trustee shall deposit amounts received from the Successor Agency into sub-accounts of the Interest Account and/or Principal Account, as applicable, on a pro-rata basis):

- [a] Interest Account. On or before the fifth (5th) Business Day preceding each Interest Payment Date, commencing with the Interest Payment Date of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_1, 20\_\_\_ (with respect to the 2022 Bonds), the Successor Agency shall withdraw from the Special Fund and transfer to the Trustee, for deposit in the Interest Account an amount which when added to the amount contained in the Interest Account on that date, will be equal to the aggregate amount of the interest becoming due and payable on the Outstanding Bonds on such Interest Payment Date. No such transfer and deposit need be made to the Interest Account if the amount contained therein is at least equal to the interest to become due on the next succeeding Interest Payment Date upon all of the Outstanding Bonds. All moneys in the Interest Account shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee solely for the purpose of paying the interest on the Bonds as it shall become due and payable. The Trustee shall establish subaccounts within the Interest Account for the payment of interest due on the 2022 Bonds and other Bonds, provided that all such Bonds shall be paid on a parity basis.
- September 1 in each year beginning September 1, 20\_\_ (with respect to the 2022 Bonds), the Successor Agency shall withdraw from the Special Fund and transfer to the Trustee for deposit in the Principal Account an amount which, when added to the amount then contained in the Principal Account, will be equal to the principal becoming due and payable on the Outstanding Bonds, including pursuant to mandatory sinking account redemption, on the next September 1. No such transfer and deposit need be made to the Principal Account if the amount contained therein is at least equal to the principal to become due on the next September 1 on all of the Outstanding Bonds. All moneys in the Principal Account shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee solely for the purpose of paying the principal of the Bonds, including by mandatory sinking account redemption, as the same shall become due and payable. The Trustee may establish sub-accounts within the Principal Account for the payment of principal due on the 2022 Bonds and other Bonds, provided that all such Bonds shall be paid on a parity basis.
- separate account known as the "Reserve Account" solely as security for payments of 2022 Bonds payable by the Successor Agency pursuant to this Section 4.03 which shall in each case be held by the Trustee in trust for the benefit of the Owners of the 2022 Bonds, provided separate subaccounts may be established in the Reserve Account as separate security for any future issue of Parity Debt. [The Reserve Requirement for the 2022 Bonds (calculated on a standalone basis) will be satisfied by the delivery of the 2022 Reserve Policy by the 2022 Insurer on the Closing Date with respect to the 2022 Bonds. The Successor Agency will have no obligation to replace the 2022 Reserve Policy or to fund the Reserve Account with cash if, at any time that the 2022 Bonds are Outstanding, any rating assigned to the 2022 Insurer is downgraded, suspended or withdrawn or amounts are not available under the 2022 Reserve Policy, other than in connection with a draw on the 2022 Reserve Policy.]

Except as provided in the preceding paragraph and as may be provided in a Supplemental Indenture or Parity Debt Instrument, in the event that the amount on deposit in the Reserve Account (or the applicable subaccount) at any time becomes less than the Reserve Requirement applicable thereto, the Trustee shall promptly notify the Successor Agency of such fact. Upon receipt of any such notice and as promptly as is permitted by the Law, the Successor Agency shall transfer to the Trustee an amount sufficient to maintain the Reserve Requirement on deposit in the applicable Reserve Account.

The amounts available under the 2022 Reserve Policy shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee solely for the purpose of making transfers to the Interest Account and the Principal Account in such order of priority, in the event of any deficiency at any time in any of such accounts with respect to the payment of debt service on the 2022 Bonds.

Moneys, if any, on deposit in the Reserve Account (or the applicable subaccount therein) shall be withdrawn and applied by the Trustee for the final payment or payments of principal of and interest on the 2022 Bonds (or the applicable account therein, respectively). The Trustee shall compute the Reserve Requirement annually on or before September 1.

In no event shall amounts in the Reserve Account (exclusive of subaccounts therein, which shall be applied in accordance with the terms of the Supplemental Indenture providing for Parity Debt) be applied to payment of any Bonds or Parity Debt other than 2022 Bonds.

Except as provided above, the amount on deposit in the Reserve Account shall be maintained at the Reserve Requirement at all times prior to the payment of the applicable series of Bonds in full. If there shall then not be sufficient Pledged Tax Revenues to transfer an amount sufficient to maintain the Reserve Requirement on deposit in the Reserve Account, the Successor Agency shall be obligated to continue making transfers as Pledged Tax Revenues become available until there is an amount sufficient to maintain the Reserve Requirement on deposit in the Reserve Account. No such transfer and deposit need be made to the Reserve Account so long as there shall be on deposit therein a sum at least equal to the Reserve Requirement. All money in the Reserve Account shall be used and withdrawn by the Trustee solely for the purpose of making transfers pursuant to any Parity Debt Instrument and hereunder to the Interest Account and the Principal Account, in the event of any deficiency at any time in any of such accounts or for the retirement of all the Bonds then Outstanding, except that so long as the Successor Agency is not in default hereunder or under any Parity Debt Instrument, any amount in the Reserve Account or subaccount thereof in excess of the applicable Reserve Requirement shall be withdrawn from the Reserve Account semiannually on or before two (2) Business Days preceding each March 1 and September 1 by the Trustee and deposited in the Interest Account or be applied pro rata in accordance with any applicable provision of a Parity Debt Instrument. On the Business Day preceding the final Interest Payment Date for a series of Bonds (or multiple series of Bonds issued under this Indenture or a single Parity Debt Instrument), all amounts held in the applicable subaccount of the Reserve Account shall be withdrawn from the Reserve Account and shall be transferred to the applicable subaccounts of the Interest Account and the Principal Account, in such order, for such series of Bonds, to the extent required to make the deposits then required to be made pursuant to this Section 4.03, or shall be applied pro rata as required by any Parity Debt Instrument, as applicable.

The Successor Agency shall have the right at any time to direct the Trustee to release funds from the Reserve Account or subaccount thereof, in whole or in part, by tendering to the Trustee: (i) a Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument, and (ii) an opinion of Bond Counsel stating that

neither the release of such funds nor the acceptance of such Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument will cause interest on the Bonds or any Parity Debt the interest on which is excluded from gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes to become includable in gross income for purposes of federal income taxation. Upon tender of such items to the Trustee, and upon delivery by the Successor Agency to the Trustee of written calculation of the amount permitted to be released from the Reserve Account (upon which calculation the Trustee may conclusively rely), the Trustee shall transfer such funds from the Reserve Account or subaccount thereof to the Successor Agency to be applied in accordance with the Law. The Trustee shall comply with the terms of any such Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument delivered to and accepted by it, as may be applicable to it and as shall be required to receive payments thereunder in the event and to the extent required to make any payment when and as required under this paragraph (d). Upon the expiration of any Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument, the Successor Agency shall either (i) replace such Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument with a new Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument, or (ii) deposit or cause to be deposited with the Trustee an amount of funds equal to the applicable Reserve Requirement, to be derived from the first legally available Pledged Tax Revenues. If the applicable Reserve Requirement is being maintained partially in cash and partially with a Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument, the cash shall be first used to meet any deficiency which may exist from time to time in the Interest Account or the Principal Account for the purpose of making payments required pursuant to Sections 4.03(a) or 4.03(b) of this Indenture. If the Reserve Requirement is being maintained with two or more Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instruments, any draw to meet a deficiency which may exist from time to time in the Interest Account or the Principal Account for the purpose of making payments required pursuant to Sections 4.03(a) or 4.03(b) of this Indenture shall be pro-rata with respect to each such instrument.

The Reserve Account shall be maintained in the form of one or more separate sub-accounts which are established for the purpose of holding the proceeds of separate issues of any Parity Debt in conformity with applicable provisions of the Code to the extent directed by the Successor Agency in writing to the Trustee. Separate series of Parity Debt may be secured by common sub-accounts of the Reserve Account as provided in one or more Supplemental Indentures and/or Parity Debt Instruments from time to time.

Section 4.04 Rebate Fund. The Trustee shall establish a separate fund for the 2022A Bonds designated the "Rebate Fund." Absent an opinion of Bond Counsel that the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the 2022A Bonds will not be adversely affected, the Successor Agency shall cause to be deposited in the Rebate Fund such amounts as are required to be deposited therein pursuant to this Section and the Tax Certificate. All money at any time deposited in the Rebate Fund shall be held by the Trustee in trust, for payment to the United States Treasury. All amounts on deposit in the Rebate Fund for the 2022A Bonds shall be governed by this Section and the Tax Certificate, unless the Successor Agency obtains and delivers to the Trustee an opinion of Bond Counsel that the exclusion from gross income of interest on the 2022A Bonds will not be adversely affected for federal income tax purposes if such requirements are not satisfied. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in the Tax Certificate, the Trustee shall be deemed conclusively to have complied with the provisions of this Section and the Tax Certificate if the Trustee follows the directions of the Successor Agency, and the Trustee shall have no independent responsibility to or liability resulting from failure of the Trustee to enforce compliance by the Successor Agency with the Tax Certificate or the provisions of this Section.

# (a) Excess Investment Earnings.

- (i) <u>Computation</u>. Within 55 days of the end of each fifth Bond Year with respect to the 2022A Bonds, the Successor Agency shall calculate or cause to be calculated the amount of rebatable arbitrage, in accordance with Section 148(f)(2) of the Code and Section 1.148-3 of the Treasury Regulations (taking into account any applicable exceptions with respect to the computation of the rebatable arbitrage, described, if applicable, in the Tax Certificate (e.g. the temporary investments exception of Section 148(f)(4)(B) and the construction expenditure exception of Section 148(f)(4)(C) of the Code), for this purpose treating the last day of the applicable Bond Year as a computation date, within the meaning of Section 1.148-1(b) of the Treasury Regulations (the "Rebatable Arbitrage"). The Successor Agency shall obtain expert advice as to the amount of the Rebatable Arbitrage to comply with this Section.
- (ii) <u>Transfer</u>. Within 55 days of the end of each fifth Bond Year with respect to the 2022A Bonds, upon the Finance Director's written direction, an amount shall be deposited to the Rebate Fund by the Successor Agency from any legally available funds, which may include transfer thereto from other funds and accounts established herein upon and pursuant to instruction of the Successor Agency to the Trustee (and provided that such transfer is permitted by the terms hereof applicable to such other fund or account), so that the balance in the Rebate Fund shall equal the amount of Rebatable Arbitrage so calculated in accordance with clause (i) of this Section 4.04(a). In the event that immediately following the deposit or transfer required by the previous sentence, the amount then on deposit to the credit of the Rebate Fund exceeds the amount required to be on deposit therein, upon written instructions from the Finance Director, the Trustee shall withdraw the excess from the Rebate Fund and then credit the excess to the Debt Service Fund.
- (iii) <u>Payment to the Treasury</u>. The Successor Agency shall direct the Trustee in writing to pay to the United States Treasury, out of amounts in the Rebate Fund.
- (X) Not later than 60 days after the end of (A) the fifth Bond Year with respect to the 2022A Bonds, and (B) each applicable fifth Bond Year thereafter, an amount equal to at least 90% of the Rebatable Arbitrage calculated as of the end of such Bond Year; and
- (Y) Not later than 60 days after the payment of all the 2022A Bonds, an amount equal to 100% of the Rebatable Arbitrage calculated as of the end of such applicable Bond Year, and any income attributable to the Rebatable Arbitrage, computed in accordance with Section 148(f) of the Code.

In the event that, prior to the time of any payment required to be made from the Rebate Fund, the amount in the Rebate Fund is not sufficient to make such payment when such payment is due, the Successor Agency shall calculate or cause to be calculated the amount of such deficiency and deposit an amount received from any legally available source, including the other funds and accounts established herein, equal to such deficiency in the Rebate Fund prior to the time such payment is due. Each payment required to be made pursuant to this Section 4.04(a)(iii) shall be made to the Internal Revenue Service Center, Ogden, Utah 84201 on or before the date on which such payment is due, and shall be accompanied by Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-T prepared by the Successor Agency, or shall be made in such other manner as provided under the Code.

(b) <u>Disposition of Unexpended Funds</u>. Any funds remaining in the Rebate Fund after redemption and payment of the 2022A Bonds and the payments described in Section 4.04(a)(iii),

shall be transferred by the Trustee to the Successor Agency at the written direction of the Successor Agency and utilized in any manner by the Successor Agency.

- (c) <u>Survival of Defeasance</u>. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 4.04 or this Indenture to the contrary, the obligation to comply with the requirements of this Section shall survive the defeasance of the 2022A Bonds and any Parity Debt.
- (d) <u>Trustee Responsible</u>. The Trustee shall have no obligations or responsibilities under this Section other than to follow the written directions of the Successor Agency. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to make any calculations of rebate or to independently review or verify such calculations.
  - Section 4.05 [Provisions Relating to 2022 Insurance Policy].
  - Section 4.06 [Provisions Relating to 2022 Reserve Policy].

#### **ARTICLE V**

## OTHER COVENANTS OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

**Section 5.01 Punctual Payment.** The Successor Agency shall punctually pay or cause to be paid the principal and interest to become due in respect of all the Bonds together with the premium thereon, if any, in strict conformity with the terms of the Bonds and of this Indenture. The Successor Agency shall faithfully observe and perform all of the conditions, covenants and requirements of this Indenture, all Supplemental Indentures and the Bonds. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the Successor Agency from making advances of its own moneys howsoever derived to any of the uses or purposes referred to herein.

Section 5.02 Limitation on Additional Indebtedness; Against Encumbrances. The Successor Agency hereby covenants that, so long as the Bonds are Outstanding, the Successor Agency shall not issue any bonds, notes or other obligations, enter into any agreement or otherwise incur any indebtedness, which is in any case payable from all or any part of the Pledged Tax Revenues (i) on a basis senior to the Bonds or (ii) on a parity with the Bonds except for Parity Debt issued to refund any of the Bonds or other Parity Debt, and then only if the requirements of Section 3.04 are met. The Successor Agency will not otherwise encumber, pledge or place any charge or lien upon any of the Pledged Tax Revenues or other amounts pledged to the Bonds superior or equal to the pledge and lien herein created for the benefit of the Bonds.

**Section 5.03 Extension of Payment**. The Successor Agency will not, directly or indirectly, extend or consent to the extension of the time for the payment of any Bond or claim for interest on any of the Bonds and will not, directly or indirectly, be a party to or approve any such arrangement by purchasing or funding the Bonds or claims for interest in any other manner. In case the maturity of any such Bond or claim for interest shall be extended or funded, whether or not with the consent of the Successor Agency, such Bond or claim for interest so extended or funded shall not be entitled, in case of default hereunder, to the benefits of this Indenture, except subject to the prior payment in full of the principal of all of the Bonds then Outstanding and of all claims for interest which shall not have been so extended or funded.

**Section 5.04 Payment of Claims**. The Successor Agency shall promptly pay and discharge, or cause to be paid and discharged, any and all lawful claims for labor, materials or supplies which, if unpaid, might become a lien or charge upon the properties owned by the Successor Agency or upon the Pledged Tax Revenues or other amounts pledged to the payment of the Bonds, or any part thereof, or upon any funds in the hands of the Trustee, or which might impair the security of the Bonds. Nothing herein contained shall require the Successor Agency to make any such payment so long as the Successor Agency in good faith shall contest the validity of said claims.

Section 5.05 Books and Accounts; Financial Statements. The Successor Agency shall keep, or cause to be kept, proper books of record and accounts, separate from all other records and accounts of the Successor Agency and the City, in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the Redevelopment Project, the Pledged Tax Revenues and the Special Fund. Such books of record and accounts shall at all times during business hours be subject to the inspection of the 2022 Insurer, any other Insurer and the Owners of not less than ten percent (10%) in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding, or their representatives authorized in writing.

The Successor Agency will cause to be prepared, on or before each April 1 so long as the Bonds are Outstanding, complete audited financial statements with respect to such Fiscal Year showing the Pledged Tax Revenues, all disbursements of Pledged Tax Revenues and the financial condition of the Redevelopment Project, including the balances in all funds and accounts relating to the Redevelopment Project, as of the end of such Fiscal Year. The Successor Agency shall promptly furnish a copy of such financial statements to the Trustee, the 2022 Insurer and any other Insurer at no expense and to any Owner upon reasonable request and at the expense of such Owner. The Trustee shall have no obligation to review, verify or analyze any financial statements provided to it by the Successor Agency and shall hold such financial statement solely as a repository for the benefit of the Owners of the Bonds. The Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice of any information contained therein, or default or Event of Default which may be disclosed therein in any manner.

The Successor Agency agrees, consents and will cooperate in good faith to provide information reasonably requested by the 2022 Insurer and will further provide appropriately designated individuals and officers to discuss the affairs, finances and accounts of the Successor Agency or any other matter as the 2022 Insurer may reasonably request.

**Section 5.06** Protection of Security and Rights of Owners. The Successor Agency will preserve and protect the security of the Bonds and the rights of the Owners. From and after the Closing Date with respect to Bonds, the Bonds shall be incontestable by the Successor Agency.

Section 5.07 Payments of Taxes and Other Charges. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Successor Agency will pay and discharge, or cause to be paid and discharged, all taxes, service charges, assessments and other governmental charges which may hereafter be lawfully imposed upon the Successor Agency or the properties then owned by the Successor Agency in the Project Area, or upon the revenues therefrom when the same shall become due. Nothing herein contained shall require the Successor Agency to make any such payment so long as the Successor Agency in good faith shall contest the validity of said taxes, assessments or charges. The Successor Agency will duly observe and conform with all valid requirements of any governmental authority relative to the Project Area or any part thereof.

**Section 5.08 Taxation of Leased Property**. All amounts derived by the Successor Agency pursuant to Section 33673 of the Law with respect to the lease of property for redevelopment shall be treated as Pledged Tax Revenues for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 5.09 Disposition of Property. The Successor Agency will not participate in the disposition of any land or real property in a Project Area to anyone which will result in such property becoming exempt from taxation because of public ownership or use or otherwise (except property dedicated for public right-of-way and except property planned for public ownership or use by the Redevelopment Plan in effect on the date of issuance of the 2022 Bonds) so that such disposition shall, when taken together with other such dispositions, aggregate more than ten percent (10%) of the land area in the applicable Project Area unless such disposition is permitted as hereinafter provided in this Section 5.09. If the Successor Agency proposes to participate in such a disposition, it shall thereupon appoint an Independent Redevelopment Consultant to report on the effect of said proposed disposition. If the Report of the Independent Redevelopment Consultant concludes that the security of the Bonds, or the rights of the Successor Agency, the Bondowners and the Trustee hereunder will not be materially impaired by said proposed disposition, the Successor Agency may thereafter make such disposition. If said Report concludes that such security will be materially impaired by said proposed disposition, the Successor Agency shall disapprove said proposed disposition. This Section 5.09 shall not apply to the disposition of properties to the City pursuant to the Successor Agency's Long Range Property Management Plan prepared pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34191.4.

**Section 5.10 Maintenance of Pledged Tax Revenues**. The Successor Agency shall comply with all requirements of the Law and the Dissolution Act to ensure the allocation and payment to it of the Pledged Tax Revenues as provided in the Dissolution Act.

**Section 5.11 Tax Covenants**. In connection with the 2022A Bonds, the Successor Agency covenants and agrees to contest by court action or otherwise any assertion by the United States of America or any departments or agency thereof that the interest received by the Bondowners is includable in gross income of the recipient under federal income tax laws on the date of issuance of the 2022A Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, absent an opinion of Bond Counsel that the exclusion from gross income of interest with respect to the 2022A Bonds and Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis will not be adversely affected for federal income tax purposes, the Successor Agency covenants to comply with all applicable requirements of the Code necessary to preserve such exclusion from gross income and specifically covenants, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, as follows:

- (a) <u>Private Activity</u>. The Successor Agency will take no action or refrain from taking any action or make any use of the proceeds of the 2022A Bonds or Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis or of any other monies or property which would cause the 2022A Bonds or Parity Debt to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code;
- (b) <u>Arbitrage</u>. The Successor Agency will make no use of the proceeds of the 2022A Bonds or Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis or of any other amounts or property, regardless of the source, or take any action or refrain from taking any action which will cause the 2022A Bonds or Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code;
- (c) <u>Federal Guaranty</u>. The Successor Agency will make no use of the proceeds of the 2022A Bonds or Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis or take or omit to take any action that

would cause the 2022A Bonds or the Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis to be "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of Section 149(b) of the Code;

- (d) <u>Information Reporting</u>. The Successor Agency will take or cause to be taken all necessary action to comply with the informational reporting requirement of Section 149(e) of the Code;
- (e) <u>Hedge Bonds</u>. The Successor Agency will make no use of the proceeds of the 2022A Bonds or any Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis or any other amounts or property, regardless of the source, or take any action or refrain from taking any action that would cause either any 2022 Bonds or the Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis to be considered "hedge bonds" within the meaning of Section 149(g) of the Code unless the Successor Agency takes all necessary action to assure compliance with the requirements of Section 149(g) of the Code to maintain the exclusion from gross income of interest on the 2022A Bonds and any Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis for federal income tax purposes; and
- (f) <u>Miscellaneous</u>. The Successor Agency will take no action or refrain from taking any action inconsistent with its expectations stated in that certain Tax Certificate executed by the Successor Agency in connection with each issuance of 2022A Bonds and Parity Debt issued on a tax-exempt basis and will comply with the covenants and requirements stated therein and incorporated by reference herein.
- Section 5.12 Continuing Disclosure. The Successor Agency hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, failure of the Successor Agency to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall not be considered an Event of Default; however, the Trustee at the request of any Participating Underwriter (as defined in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement) or the holders of at least 25% aggregate principal amount of Outstanding 2022 Bonds, shall, but only to the extent the Trustee has been indemnified to its satisfaction from and against any loss, liability, cost or expense, including, without limitation, fees and expenses of its attorneys and advisors and additional fees and expenses of the Trustee, take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to compel performance, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order.

## Section 5.13 Compliance with the Dissolution Act.

(a) The Successor Agency shall comply with all of the requirements of the Law and the Dissolution Act. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Successor Agency covenants and agrees to file all required statements and hold all public hearings required under the Dissolution Act to assure compliance by the Successor Agency with its covenants hereunder.

Further, it will take all actions required under the Dissolution Act to include:

(i) scheduled debt service on the 2022 Bonds and any Parity Debt and any amount required under this Indenture to replenish the Reserve Account established hereunder or the reserve account established under any Parity Debt Instrument, and

- (ii) payments on Pass-Through Agreements which have not been subordinated to the Bonds, if any, to the extent such payments have not been made by the County Auditor-Controller pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 34183(a)(1).
  - (ii) amounts due to any Insurer hereunder, under any Parity Debt Instrument or under an insurance or surety bond agreement,

in Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules for each ROPS Period so as to enable the County Auditor-Controller to distribute from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund to the Successor Agency's Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund on each January 2 and June 1 amounts required for the Successor Agency to pay principal of, and interest on, the Bonds coming due in the respective ROPS Period, to pay amounts owed to any Insurer, as well as the other amounts set forth above.

- In order to accomplish the foregoing, on or before each March 1 (or at such earlier time as may be required by the Dissolution Act), for so long as any Bonds are outstanding, the Successor Agency shall submit an Oversight Board-approved Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the State Department of Finance and to the County Auditor-Controller that shall include, from the first Pledged Tax Revenues distributed to the Successor Agency on each January 2 and June 1 Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund distribution date (subject to prior payments described in Section 4.01): (i) all debt service due on all Outstanding 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt coming due during such Bond Year (with at least one-half of such Bond Year's debt service to be distributed from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund on January 2 and the remainder of such Bond Year's debt service to be distributed from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund on June 1), as well as all amounts due and owing to the 2022 Insurer hereunder or to any other Insurer, and (ii) any amount required to cure any deficiency in the Reserve Account pursuant to this Indenture or a reserve account established under any Parity Debt Instrument (including any amounts required due to a draw on the Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument as well as all amounts due and owing to the 2022 Insurer hereunder or to any other Insurer). The Successor Agency shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to request up to 100% of the principal and interest coming due during the applicable Bond Year from the RPTTF moneys to be distributed to the Successor Agency on the January 2 of such Bond Year, and to request the remainder of such Bond Year's debt service to be distributed from the RPTTF on June 1 during such Bond Year.
- (c) In the event the provisions set forth in the Dissolution Act as of the Closing Date of the 2022 Bonds that relate to the filing of Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules are amended or modified in any manner, the Successor Agency agrees to take all such actions as are necessary to comply with such amended or modified provisions so as to ensure the timely payment of debt service on the 2022 Bonds and other Parity Debt and, if the timing of distributions of the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund is changed, the receipt of (i) not less than one half of the debt service due during each Bond Year on all Outstanding Bonds prior to March 1 of such calendar year, and (ii) the remainder of debt service due during such Bond Year on all Outstanding Bonds prior to the next succeeding September 1.
- (d) [So long as the 2022 Bonds are Outstanding and the 2022 Insurer is not in default under the 2022 Insurance Policy or the 2022 Reserve Policy, in the event the Successor Agency fails to provide the Oversight Board or the Department of Finance with a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule by the statutory deadlines, the Successor Agency designates the 2022 Insurer as its attorney-in-fact with the power to make such a request relating to the 2022 Bonds; provided however, that the 2022 Insurer will provide a copy of such request to the Successor Agency prior to such

submission. With respect to Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules, if any amounts payable to the 2022 Insurer are not included on the then current Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule, the Successor Agency shall amend such Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the extent permitted by law.]

**Section 5.14 Further Assurances**. The Successor Agency will adopt, make, execute and deliver any and all such further resolutions, instruments and assurances as may be reasonably necessary or proper to carry out the intention or to facilitate the performance of this Indenture, and for the better assuring and confirming unto the Owners of the Bonds the rights and benefits provided in this Indenture.

Section 5.15 Last and Final Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule. [As long as the 2022 Bonds are Outstanding and the 2022 Insurer is not in default under the 2022 Reserve Policy or the 2022 Insurance Policy, the Successor Agency will not submit to the Oversight Board or the California Department of Finance a request for the final amendment permitted for its Last and Final Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule pursuant to Section 34191.6 of the California Health and Safety Code without the prior written consent of the 2022 Insurer, unless all amounts that could become due and payable to the 2022 Insurer under this Indenture would be included as a line item on the last and final Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule following approval of the requested final amendment.]

Section 5.16 Meet and Confer; Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule. [So long as the 2022 Bonds are Outstanding, the Successor Agency shall provide the 2022 Insurer with copies of all Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules submitted and any and all correspondence received from the Department of Finance relating to or which could affect payments on the Bonds upon receipt, except for requests for copies of agreements or other supporting documentation by the Department of Finance to support a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule submitted by the Successor Agency. Documents posted by the Department of Finance under their existing procedures on the Department of Finance website shall meet this requirement. In the event that the Successor Agency is a party to a meet and confer with the Department of Finance that relates to the payment of debt service on or security for the 2022 Bonds or Policy Costs, the Successor Agency shall notify the 2022 Insurer and, if the subject of the meet and confer could prevent timely payment of or impair the security for the 2022 Bonds or Policy Costs, the 2022 Insurer shall have the right to participate in the meet and confer process either by appearance with the Successor Agency at the meet and confer or through written submission as the Insurer determines in its discretion. In the event the Successor Agency receives a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule denial, whether relating to the 2022 Bonds or not, and such denial could prevent timely and full payment of debt service on the 2022 Bonds, the Successor Agency agrees to cooperate in good faith with the 2022 Insurer and the 2022 Insurer shall receive prompt notice of any such event and shall be permitted to attend any meetings with the Successor Agency and the Department of Finance and to discuss such matters with the Department of Finance directly.]

#### **ARTICLE VI**

#### THE TRUSTEE

## Section 6.01 Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Trustee.

(a) The Trustee shall, prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default, and after the curing or waiver of all Events of Default which may have occurred, perform such duties and only such

duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture and no implied covenants, duties or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee. The Trustee shall, during the existence of any Event of Default known to it (which has not been cured or waived), exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs.

- (b) The Successor Agency may remove the Trustee at any time, but only with the consent of all Insurers, upon thirty days' prior written notice, unless an Event of Default shall have occurred and then be continuing, and shall remove the Trustee (i) if at any time requested to do so by an instrument or concurrent instruments in writing signed by the Owners of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding (or their attorneys duly authorized in writing) or (ii) if at any time the Successor Agency has knowledge that the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with subsection (f) of this Section, or shall become incapable of acting, or shall be adjudged a bankrupt or insolvent, or a receiver of the Trustee or its property shall be appointed, or any public officer shall take control or charge of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation. In each case such removal shall be accomplished by the giving of written notice of such removal by the Successor Agency to the Trustee, with a copy to any Insurer, whereupon the Successor Agency shall appoint a successor Trustee by an instrument in writing.
- (c) The Trustee may at any time resign by giving written notice of such resignation to the Successor Agency and by giving the Owners and any Insurer notice of such resignation by first class mail, postage prepaid, at their respective addresses shown on the Registration Books. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the Successor Agency shall promptly appoint a successor Trustee by an instrument in writing, with notice of such appointment to be furnished to any Insurer. Such removal shall be accomplished by the giving of at least thirty (30) days written notice of such removal by the Successor Agency to the Trustee whereupon the Successor Agency shall immediately appoint a successor Trustee by an instrument in writing.
- Any removal or resignation of the Trustee and appointment of a successor Trustee shall become effective only upon acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee. If no successor Trustee shall have been appointed and have accepted appointment within forty-five (45) days of giving notice of removal or notice of resignation as aforesaid, the resigning Trustee or any Owner (on behalf of such Owner and all other Owners) may petition any court of competent jurisdiction at the expense of the Successor Agency for the appointment of a successor Trustee and after being paid its fees and expenses then due and owing to it, and such court may thereupon, after such notice (if any) as it may deem proper, appoint such successor Trustee. Any successor Trustee appointed under this Indenture shall signify its acceptance of such appointment by executing, acknowledging and delivering to the Successor Agency and to its predecessor Trustee a written acceptance thereof, and thereupon such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the moneys, estates, properties, rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations of such predecessor Trustee, with like effect as if originally named Trustee herein; but, nevertheless at the Written Request of the Successor Agency or the request of the successor Trustee, such predecessor Trustee shall execute and deliver any and all instruments of conveyance or further assurance and do such other things as may reasonably be required for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all the right, title and interest of such predecessor Trustee in and to any property held by it under this Indenture and shall pay over, transfer, assign and deliver to the successor Trustee any money or other property subject to the trusts and conditions herein set forth. Upon request of the successor Trustee, the Successor Agency shall execute and deliver any and all instruments as may be reasonably required

for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all such moneys, estates, properties, rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations. Upon acceptance of appointment by a successor Trustee as provided in this subsection, the Successor Agency shall cause the successor Trustee to mail a notice of the succession of such Trustee to the trusts hereunder to each rating agency which then has a current rating on the Bonds and to the Owners at their respective addresses shown on the Registration Books.

- (e) If an Event of Default hereunder occurs with respect to any Bonds of which the Trustee has been given or is deemed to have notice, as provided in Section 6.03(d) hereof, then the Trustee shall promptly give written notice thereof, by first-class mail to the any Insurer and the Owner of each such Bond, unless such Event of Default shall have been cured or waived before the giving of such notice; provided, however, that unless such Event of Default consists of the failure by the Successor Agency to make any payment when due, the Trustee shall, within thirty (30) days of the Trustee's knowledge thereof, give such notice to any Insurer, and the Trustee, with the consent of any Insurer may elect not to give such notice if and so long as the Trustee in good faith determines that it is in the best interests of the Bondowners not to give such notice. Such notice of Event of Default shall include the statements required by the third paragraph of Section 8.01(d), as applicable.
- Trustee shall be: (i) a financial institution having a trust office in the State, having (or in the case of a corporation, national banking association or trust company included in a bank holding company system, the related bank holding company shall have) a combined capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000, and subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority; (ii) a state-chartered commercial bank that is a member of the Federal Reserve System having at least \$1,000,000,000 of assets; or (iii) an entity otherwise approved by all Insurers in writing. If such financial institution publishes a report of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of any supervising or examining authority above referred to, then for the purpose of this subsection the combined capital and surplus of such financial institution shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. In case at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this subsection (f), the Trustee shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in this Section.

**Section 6.02 Merger or Consolidation**. Any bank, national banking association or trust company into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which may be consolidated or any bank, national banking association or trust company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which it shall be a party or any bank, national banking association or trust company to which the Trustee may sell or transfer all or substantially all of its corporate trust business, provided such bank, national banking association or trust company shall be eligible under subsection (f) of Section 6.01, shall be the successor to such Trustee without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

# Section 6.03 Liability of Trustee.

(a) The recitals of facts herein and in the Bonds contained shall be taken as statements of the Successor Agency, and the Trustee shall not assume responsibility for the correctness of the same, nor make any representations as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture or of the security for the Bonds or the tax status of interest thereon nor shall incur any responsibility in respect thereof, other than as expressly stated herein. The Trustee shall, however, be responsible for its representations contained in its certificate of authentication on the Bonds. The Trustee shall not be

liable in connection with the performance of its duties hereunder, except for its own negligence or willful misconduct as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction. The Trustee shall not be liable for the acts of any agents of the Trustee selected by it with due care. The Trustee and its officers and employees may become the Owner of any Bonds with the same rights it would have if they were not Trustee and, to the extent permitted by law, may act as depository for and permit any of its officers or directors to act as a member of, or in any other capacity with respect to, any committee formed to protect the rights of the Owners, whether or not such committee shall represent the Owners of a majority in principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding.

- (b) The Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in accordance with the direction of the Owners of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds at the time Outstanding relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee under this Indenture.
- (c) The Trustee shall not be liable for any action taken by it and believed by it to be authorized or within the discretion or rights or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture, except for actions arising from the negligence or willful misconduct of the Trustee as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction; and the Trustee shall not liable for errors in judgment made in good faith unless determined to be negligent in ascertaining pertinent facts. Where the Trustee is given the permissive right to do things enumerated in this Indenture, such right shall not be construed as a mandatory duty.
- (d) The Trustee shall not be deemed to have knowledge of any Event of Default hereunder unless and until a responsible officer shall have actual knowledge thereof, or shall have received written notice thereof from the Successor Agency at its Principal Corporate Trust Office. In the absence of such actual knowledge or notice, the Trustee may conclusively assume that no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing under this Indenture. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Trustee shall not be bound to ascertain or inquire as to the performance or observance by any other party of any of the terms, conditions, covenants or agreements herein or of any of the documents executed in connection with the Bonds, or as to the existence of an Event of Default thereunder. The Trustee shall not be responsible for the validity or effectiveness of any collateral given to or held by it. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Trustee may rely conclusively on the Successor Agency's certificates to establish the Successor Agency's compliance with its financial covenants hereunder, including, without limitation, its covenants regarding the deposit of Pledged Tax Revenues into the Special Fund and the investment and application of moneys on deposit in the Special Fund (other than its covenants to transfer such moneys to the Trustee when due hereunder).
- (e) The Trustee shall have no liability or obligation to the Bondowners with respect to the payment of debt service on the Bonds by the Successor Agency or with respect to the observance or performance by the Successor Agency of the other conditions, covenants and terms contained in this Indenture, or with respect to the investment of any moneys in any fund or account established, held or maintained by the Successor Agency pursuant to this Indenture or otherwise.
- (f) No provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers. The Trustee shall be entitled to interest on all amounts advanced by it at the maximum rate permitted by law.

- (g) The Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents, attorneys or receivers and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any intentional misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent, attorney or receiver appointed with due care by it hereunder.
- (h) The Trustee shall have no responsibility, opinion, or liability with respect to any information, statements or recital in any offering memorandum or other disclosure material prepared or distributed with respect to the issuance of the Bonds.
- (i) Before taking any action under Article VIII or this Article at the request of the Owners or any Insurer, the Trustee may require that a satisfactory indemnity bond be furnished by the Owners or any Insurer for the reimbursement of all expenses to which it may be put (including without limitation associated attorneys' fees and expenses) and to protect it against all liability, except liability which is finally adjudicated by a court of competent jurisdiction to have resulted from its negligence or willful misconduct in connection with any action so taken.
- The Trustee shall have the right to accept and act upon instructions, including funds transfer instructions ("Instructions") given pursuant to this Indenture and delivered using Electronic Means ("Electronic Means" shall mean the following communications methods: e-mail, facsimile transmission, secure electronic transmission containing applicable authorization codes, passwords and/or authentication keys issued by the Trustee, or another method or system specified by the Trustee as available for use in connection with its services hereunder); provided, however, that the Successor Agency shall provide to the Trustee an incumbency certificate listing officers with the authority to provide such Instructions ("Authorized Officers") and containing specimen signatures of such Authorized Officers, which incumbency certificate shall be amended by the Successor Agency whenever a person is to be added or deleted from the listing. If the Successor Agency elects to give the Trustee Instructions using Electronic Means and the Trustee in its discretion elects to act upon such Instructions, the Trustee's understanding of such Instructions shall be deemed controlling. The Successor Agency understands and agrees that the Trustee cannot determine the identity of the actual sender of such Instructions and that the Trustee shall conclusively presume that directions that purport to have been sent by an Authorized Officer listed on the incumbency certificate provided to the Trustee have been sent by such Authorized Officer. The Successor Agency shall be responsible for ensuring that only Authorized Officers transmit such Instructions to the Trustee and that the Successor Agency and all Authorized Officers are solely responsible to safeguard the use and confidentiality of applicable user and authorization codes, passwords and/or authentication keys upon receipt by the Successor Agency. The Trustee shall not be liable for any losses, costs or expenses arising directly or indirectly from the Trustee's reliance upon and compliance with such Instructions notwithstanding such directions conflict or are inconsistent with a subsequent written instruction. The Successor Agency agrees: (i) to assume all risks arising out of the use of Electronic Means to submit Instructions to the Trustee, including without limitation the risk of the Trustee acting on unauthorized Instructions, and the risk of interception and misuse by third parties; (ii) that it is fully informed of the protections and risks associated with the various methods of transmitting Instructions to the Trustee and that there may be more secure methods of transmitting Instructions than the method(s) selected by the Successor Agency; (iii) that the security procedures (if any) to be followed in connection with its transmission of Instructions provide to it a commercially reasonable degree of protection in light of its particular needs and circumstances; and (iv) to notify the Trustee immediately upon learning of any compromise or unauthorized use of the security procedures.

- (k) The Trustee shall not be liable to the parties hereto or deemed in breach or default hereunder if and to the extent its performance hereunder is prevented by reason of force majeure. The term "force majeure" means an occurrence that is beyond the control of the Trustee and could not have been avoided by exercising due care. Force majeure shall include but not be limited to acts of God, terrorism, war, riots, strikes, fire, floods, earthquakes, epidemics or other similar occurrences.
- (1) The Trustee shall not be responsible for or accountable to anyone for the subsequent use or application of any moneys which shall be released or withdrawn in accordance with the provisions hereof.
- (m) The Trustee shall not be liable for special, indirect, punitive, or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to lost profits), even if the Trustee has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action.

**Section 6.04 Right to Rely on Documents and Opinions**. The Trustee shall have no liability in acting upon any notice, resolution, request, consent, order, certificate, report, opinion, facsimile transmission, electronic mail, or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or prescribed by the proper party or parties, and shall not be required to make any investigation into the facts or matters contained thereon. The Trustee may consult with counsel, including, without limitation, counsel of or to the Successor Agency, with regard to legal questions, and the opinion or advice of such counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or suffered by the Trustee hereunder in accordance therewith.

The Trustee shall not be bound to recognize any person as the Owner of a Bond unless and until such Bond is submitted for inspection, if required, and his title thereto is established to the satisfaction of the Trustee.

Whenever in the administration of the trusts imposed upon it by this Indenture the Trustee shall deem it necessary or desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking or suffering any action hereunder, such matter (unless other evidence in respect thereof be herein specifically prescribed) may be deemed to be conclusively proved and established by a Written Certificate of the Successor Agency, which shall be full warrant to the Trustee for any action taken or suffered under the provisions of this Indenture in reliance upon such Written Certificate, but in its discretion the Trustee may, in lieu thereof, accept other evidence of such matter or may require such additional evidence as it may deem reasonable. The Trustee may conclusively rely on any certificate or report of any Independent Accountant or Independent Redevelopment Consultant appointed by the Successor Agency.

Section 6.05 Preservation and Inspection of Documents. All documents received by the Trustee under the provisions of this Indenture shall be retained in its possession and shall be subject at all reasonable times upon reasonable notice to the inspection of and copying by the Successor Agency and any Insurer and any Owner, and their agents and representatives duly authorized in writing, during regular business hours and under reasonable conditions. Delivery of reports or other documents to the Trustee shall not be deemed to constitute or impose actual or constructive notice or knowledge on the part of the Trustee, and such reports and documents may simply be held to be made available for inspection by Owners of Bonds.

**Section 6.06** Compensation and Indemnification. The Successor Agency shall pay to the Trustee from time to time reasonable compensation for all services rendered under this Indenture in accordance with the letter proposal from the Trustee approved by the Successor Agency and also all reasonable expenses, charges, legal and consulting fees and other disbursements and those of its attorneys (including outside counsel and the allocated costs and disbursement of in-house counsel to the extent such services are not redundant with those provided by outside counsel), agents and employees, incurred in and about the performance of its powers and duties under this Indenture. The Trustee shall have a lien on the Pledged Tax Revenues and all funds and accounts held by the Trustee hereunder to secure the payment to the Trustee of all fees, costs and expenses, including reasonable compensation to its experts, attorneys and counsel (including outside counsel and the allocated costs and disbursement of in-house counsel to the extent such services are not redundant with those provided by outside counsel), and all indemnities provided to the Trustee herein, and such lien shall be a senior claim to that of the Bondholders and any other party as further provided in Section 8.02. In addition, and without prejudice to any other provision, fees, costs and expenses paid or incurred by Trustee in providing services after an Event of Default, together with its compensation for such services, are intended to constitute expenses of administration under any applicable federal, state or other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law.

The Successor Agency further covenants and agrees to indemnify, defend and save the Trustee and its officers, directors, agents and employees, harmless against any loss, expense, including legal fees and expenses, and liabilities which it may incur to the extent arising out of or in connection with the exercise and performance of its powers and duties hereunder, including the costs and expenses of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding any and all losses, expenses and liabilities which are due to the negligence or willful misconduct of the Trustee, its officers, directors, agents or employees as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction. The obligations of the Successor Agency and the rights of the Trustee under this Section 6.06 shall survive resignation or removal of the Trustee under this Indenture and payment of the Bonds and discharge of this Indenture.

Section 6.07 Deposit and Investment of Moneys in Funds. Moneys in the Debt Service Fund, the Interest Account, the Principal Account, the Reserve Account and the Costs of Issuance Fund shall be invested by the Trustee in Permitted Investments as directed by the Successor Agency in the Written Request of the Successor Agency filed with the Trustee at least two (2) Business Days in advance of the making of such investments, except that moneys in the Reserve Account shall not be invested in Permitted Investments having a maturity of more than five (5) years, unless any such Permitted Investment is described in clause (g) of the definition thereof. In the absence of any such Written Request of the Successor Agency, the Trustee shall hold any such moneys uninvested. The Trustee shall be entitled to rely conclusively upon the written instructions of the Successor Agency directing investments in Permitted Investments as to the fact that each such investment is permitted by the laws of the State and is a Permitted Investment in which the Successor Authority is authorized to invest, and shall not be required to make further investigation with respect thereto. With respect to any restrictions set forth in the above list which embody legal conclusions (e.g., the existence, validity and perfection of security interests in collateral), the Trustee shall be entitled to rely conclusively on an opinion of counsel or upon a representation of the provider of such Permitted Investment obtained at the Successor Agency's expense. Moneys in the Special Fund may be invested by the Successor Agency in any obligations in which the Successor Agency is legally authorized to invest its funds. Obligations purchased as an investment of moneys in any fund shall be deemed to be part of such fund or account. All interest or gain derived from the investment of amounts in any of the funds or accounts held by the Trustee hereunder shall be deposited in the Interest Account (pro-rata among sub-accounts); provided, however, that all interest or gain from the investment of amounts in the Reserve Account shall be deposited by the Trustee in the Interest Account only to the extent not required to cause the balance in the Reserve Account to equal the Reserve Requirement. The Trustee may act as principal or agent in the acquisition or disposition of any investment and may impose its customary charges therefor. The Trustee shall incur no liability for losses arising from any investments made at the direction of the Successor Agency or otherwise made in accordance with this Section. For investment purposes only, the Trustee may commingle the funds and accounts established hereunder, but shall account for each separately.

The Successor Agency acknowledges that to the extent regulations of the Comptroller of the Currency or other applicable regulatory entity grant the Successor Agency the right to receive brokerage confirmations of security transactions as they occur, the Successor Agency specifically waives receipt of such confirmations to the extent permitted by law. The Trustee will furnish the Successor Agency monthly cash transaction statements which shall include detail for all investment transactions made by the Trustee hereunder.

All moneys held by the Trustee shall be held in trust, but need not be segregated from other funds unless specifically required by this Indenture. Except as specifically provided in this Indenture, the Trustee shall not be liable to pay interest on any moneys received by it, but shall be liable only to account to the Successor Agency for earnings derived from funds that have been invested.

If applicable, the Successor Agency covenants that all investments of amounts deposited in any fund or account created by or pursuant to this Indenture, or otherwise containing gross proceeds of any tax-exempt Bonds (within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code), shall be acquired, disposed of, and valued (as of the date that valuation is required by this Indenture or the Code) at Fair Market Value. The Trustee shall have no duty in connection with the determination of Fair Market Value other than to follow its normal practice in determining the value of Permitted Investments, which may include utilizing generally recognized pricing services (including brokers and dealers in securities) that may be available to it including those available through its regular accounting system and rely conclusively and without liability thereon.

Investments in funds or accounts (or portions thereof) that are subject to a yield restriction under applicable provisions of the Code shall be valued by the Successor Agency at their present value (within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code). Investments on deposit in the Reserve Account shall be valued semiannually two (2) Business Days preceding each March 1 and September 1 at their Fair Market Value.

Section 6.08 Accounting Records and Financial Statements. The Trustee shall at all times keep, or cause to be kept, proper books of record and account, prepared in accordance with corporate trust industry standards, in which accurate entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the proceeds of the Bonds made by it and all funds and accounts held by the Trustee established pursuant to this Indenture. Such books of record and account shall be available for inspection by the Successor Agency upon reasonable prior notice, at reasonable hours and under reasonable circumstances. The Trustee shall furnish to the Successor Agency, on at least a monthly basis, an accounting of all transactions in the form of its customary statements relating to the proceeds of the Bonds and all funds and accounts held by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture.

**Section 6.09 Other Transactions with Successor Agency**. The Trustee, either as principal or agent, may engage in or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Successor Agency.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

## MODIFICATION OR AMENDMENT OF THIS INDENTURE

**Section 7.01** Amendment With And Without Consent of Owners. This Indenture and the rights and obligations of the Successor Agency and of the Owners may be modified or amended at any time by a Supplemental Indenture which shall become binding upon adoption without the consent of any Owners or any Insurer, to the extent permitted by law, but only for any one or more of the following purposes:

- (a) to add to the covenants and agreements of the Successor Agency in this Indenture contained, other covenants and agreements thereafter to be observed, including any covenant or agreement that provides for additional security for the Bonds, or to limit or surrender any rights or powers herein reserved to or conferred upon the Successor Agency; or
- (b) to make such provisions for the purpose of curing any ambiguity, or of curing, correcting or supplementing any defective provision contained in this Indenture, or in any other respect whatsoever as the Successor Agency may deem necessary or desirable, provided under any circumstances that such modifications or amendments shall not, in the reasonable determination of the Successor Agency, materially adversely affect the interests of the Owners; or
  - (c) to provide for the issuance of Parity Debt in accordance with Section 3.04; or
- (d) if applicable, to amend any provision hereof relating to the requirements of or compliance with the Code, to any extent whatsoever but only if and to the extent such amendment will not adversely affect the exemption from federal income taxation of interest on any of the Bonds, in the opinion of Bond Counsel; or
  - (e) to comply with amendments or supplements to the Dissolution Act; or
- (f) to comply with the requirements of a provider of a Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument.

In addition, except as set forth in the preceding paragraph, this Indenture and the rights and obligations of the Successor Agency and of the Owners may be modified or amended at any time by a Supplemental Indenture which shall become binding when the written consent of each Insurer (but only with respect to any Bonds insured by such Insurer) and the Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding are filed with the Trustee. No such modification or amendment shall (a) extend the maturity of or reduce the interest rate on any Bond or otherwise alter or impair the obligation of the Successor Agency to pay the principal, interest, or redemption premiums (if any) at the time and place and at the rate and in the currency provided therein of any Bond without the express written consent of any Insurer or the Owner of such Bond, or (b) reduce the percentage of Bonds required for the written consent to any such amendment or modification. In no event shall any Supplemental Indenture modify any of the rights or obligations of the Trustee without its prior written consent. In no event shall any Supplemental Indenture adversely affect the security for the Bonds or modify any of the rights or obligations of any Insurer without its prior written consent. In determining whether any amendment, consent, waiver or other action to be taken, or any failure to take action, under this Indenture would adversely affect the security for the 2022 Bonds or the rights of the Owners

of the 2022 Bonds, the effect of any such amendment, consent, waiver, action or inaction shall be considered as if there were no 2022 Insurance Policy.

**Section 7.02 Effect of Supplemental Indenture**. From and after the time any Supplemental Indenture becomes effective pursuant to this Article VII, this Indenture shall be deemed to be modified and amended in accordance therewith, the respective rights, duties and obligations of the parties hereto or thereto and all Owners, as the case may be, shall thereafter be determined, exercised and enforced hereunder subject in all respects to such modification and amendment, and all the terms and conditions of any Supplemental Indenture shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of this Indenture for any and all purposes.

Section 7.03 Endorsement or Replacement of Bonds After Amendment. After the effective date of any amendment or modification hereof pursuant to this Article VII, the Successor Agency may, with the prior written consent of any Insurer, determine that any or all of the Bonds shall bear a notation, by endorsement in form approved by the Successor Agency, as to such amendment or modification and in that case upon demand of the Successor Agency the Owners of such Bonds shall present such Bonds for that purpose at the Principal Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, and thereupon a suitable notation as to such action shall be made on such Bonds. In lieu of such notation, the Successor Agency may determine that new Bonds shall be prepared at the expense of the Successor Agency and executed in exchange for any or all of the Bonds, and in that case, upon demand of the Successor Agency, the Owners of the Bonds shall present such Bonds for exchange at the Principal Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee, without cost to such Owners.

**Section 7.04** Amendment by Mutual Consent. The provisions of this Article VII shall not prevent any Owner from accepting any amendment as to the particular Bond held by such Owner, provided that due notation thereof is made on such Bond and, provided further that written consent to such amendment shall first be obtained from any Insurer.

Section 7.05 Opinion of Counsel. Prior to executing any Supplemental Indenture, the Trustee shall be furnished an opinion of counsel, upon which it may conclusively rely to the effect that all conditions precedent to the execution of such Supplemental Indenture under this Indenture have been satisfied and such Supplemental Indenture is authorized and permitted under this Indenture and, if expressly required by the terms of such Supplemental Indenture, does not adversely affect the exclusion of interest on any tax-exempt Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes or adversely affect the exemption of interest on the Bonds from personal income taxation by the State.

**Section 7.06** Copy of Supplemental Indenture to S&P and Moody's. The Successor Agency shall provide to S&P and Moody's, for so long as S&P and Moody's, as the case may be, maintain a rating on any of the Bonds (without regard to any municipal bond or financial guaranty insurance), a copy of any Supplemental Indenture.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

## EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND REMEDIES OF OWNERS

**Section 8.01 Events of Default and Acceleration of Maturities**. The following events shall constitute Events of Default hereunder:

- (a) if default shall be made by the Successor Agency in the due and punctual payment of the principal of or interest or redemption premium (if any) on any Bond when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at maturity as therein expressed, by declaration or otherwise;
- (b) if default shall be made by the Successor Agency in the observance of any of the covenants, agreements or conditions on its part in this Indenture or in the Bonds contained, other than a default described in the preceding clause (a), and such default shall have continued for a period of thirty (30) days following receipt by the Successor Agency of written notice from the Trustee or any Insurer or written notice from any Owner (with a copy of said notice delivered to the Trustee and any Insurer) of the occurrence of such default, provided that if in the reasonable opinion of the Successor Agency (as stated in a written certificate to such effect provided by the Successor Agency to the Trustee, on which it may conclusively rely) the failure stated in the notice can be corrected, but not within such thirty (30) day period, such failure will not constitute an event of default if corrective action is instituted by the Successor Agency (with the prior written consent of any Insurer) within such thirty (30) day period and the Successor Agency thereafter diligently and in good faith cures such failure in a reasonable period of time as approved by any Insurer;
- (c) If the Successor Agency files a petition seeking reorganization or arrangement under the federal bankruptcy laws or any other applicable law of the United States of America, or if a court of competent jurisdiction will approve a petition by the Successor Agency seeking reorganization under the federal bankruptcy laws or any other applicable law of the United States of America, or, if under the provisions of any other law for the relief or aid of debtors, any court of competent jurisdiction will approve a petition by the Successor Agency, seeking reorganization under the federal bankruptcy laws or any other applicable law of the United States of America, or, if under the provisions of any other law for the relief or aid of debtors, any court of competent jurisdiction will assume custody or control of the Successor Agency or of the whole or any substantial part of its property; or
- (d) The principal of any Parity Debt shall be declared immediately due and payable under the terms of a Parity Debt Instrument.

In determining whether an Event of Default has occurred under (a) above, no effect shall be given to payments made under any municipal bond insurance policy, financial guaranty insurance policy or Qualified Reserve Account Credit Instrument.

If an Event of Default has occurred under this Section and is continuing, the Trustee may, with the consent of the 2022 Insurer (so long as any 2022 Bonds are Outstanding), and, if requested in writing by the Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding, the Trustee shall, (y) declare the principal of the Bonds, together with the accrued interest thereon, to be due and payable immediately, and upon any such declaration the same shall become immediately due and payable, anything in this Indenture or in the Bonds to the contrary notwithstanding, and (z) subject

to the provisions of Section 6.03(i) and Section 8.06, exercise any other remedies available to the Trustee and the Bondowners in law or at equity, including an action in mandamus.

Promptly upon receiving written notice or actual knowledge of the occurrence of an Event of Default (which has not been cured or waived), the Trustee shall give notice of such Event of Default to each Insurer and to the Successor Agency as provided in and subject to the terms of Section 6.01(e). Such notice shall also state whether the principal of the Bonds shall have been declared to be or have immediately become due and payable. With respect to any Event of Default described in subsections (a) or (c) above the Trustee shall, and with respect to any Event of Default described in subsection (b) above the Trustee in its sole discretion may, also give such notice to the Owners by mail, which shall include the statement that interest on the Bonds shall cease to accrue from and after the date, if any, on which the Trustee shall have declared the Bonds to become due and payable pursuant to the preceding paragraph (but only to the extent that principal and any accrued, but unpaid, interest on the Bonds is actually paid on such date).

Any such declaration that the principal of the Bonds, together with the accrued interest thereon, is to be due and payable immediately is subject, however, to the condition that if, at any time after the principal of the Bonds shall have been so declared due and payable, and before any judgment or decree for the payment of the moneys due shall have been obtained or entered, the Successor Agency shall, with the written consent of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Owners of the Bonds then Outstanding, deposit with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay all principal on the Bonds matured prior to such declaration and all matured installments of interest (if any) upon all the Bonds, with interest on such overdue installments of principal and interest (to the extent permitted by law), and the reasonable fees and expenses of the Trustee, (including the fees and expenses or its outside counsel and the allocated costs and disbursements of its in-house counsel to the extent such services are not redundant with those provided by outside counsel) and any and all other defaults known to the Trustee (other than in the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds due and payable solely by reason of such declaration) shall have been made good or cured to the satisfaction of the Trustee or provision deemed by the Trustee to be adequate shall have been made therefor, then, and in every such case, the Trustee shall promptly give written notice of the foregoing to any Insurer and the Owners of all Bonds then Outstanding, and with the prior written approval of the Owners of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding, by written notice to the Successor Agency and to the Trustee, may, on behalf of the Owners of all of the Bonds then Outstanding, rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences. However, no such rescission and annulment shall extend to or shall affect any subsequent default or shall impair or exhaust any right or power consequent thereon.

**Section 8.02 Application of Funds Upon Acceleration**. All amounts received by the Trustee pursuant to any right given or action taken by the Trustee under the provisions of this Indenture (including the Trustee's share of any Pledged Tax Revenues) and all sums in the funds and accounts established and held by the Trustee hereunder upon the date of the declaration of acceleration as provided in Section 8.01, and all sums thereafter received by the Trustee hereunder, shall be applied by the Trustee in the following order upon presentation of the Bonds, and the stamping thereon of the payment if only partially paid, or upon the surrender thereof if fully paid:

<u>First</u>, to the payment of the fees, costs and expenses of the Trustee in declaring such Event of Default and in exercising the rights and remedies set forth in this Article VIII, including reasonable compensation to its agents, attorneys (including outside counsel and the allocated costs and disbursements of its in-house counsel to the extent such services are not redundant with those provided by outside counsel) and advisors and any outstanding fees and expenses of the Trustee; and

Second, to the payment of the whole amount then owing and unpaid upon the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt for principal and interest, as applicable, with interest on the overdue principal, and installments of interest at the net effective rate then borne by the Outstanding 2022 Bonds or Parity Debt (to the extent that such interest on overdue installments of principal and interest shall have been collected), and in case such moneys shall be insufficient to pay in full the whole amount so owing and unpaid upon the 2022 Bonds and Parity Debt, then to the payment of such principal and interest without preference or priority, ratably to the aggregate of such principal and interest; and

<u>Third</u>, to the payment of amounts required to restore the Reserve Account to the Reserve Requirement and to repay any amounts owed to the 2022 Insurer in connection with a draw on the 2022 Reserve Policy.

Section 8.03 Power of Trustee to Control Proceedings. In the event that the Trustee, upon the happening of an Event of Default, shall have taken any action, by judicial proceedings or otherwise, pursuant to its duties hereunder, whether upon its own discretion or upon the request of the Owners of a majority in principal amount of the Bonds then Outstanding, it shall have full power, in the exercise of its discretion for the best interests of the Owners of the Bonds, with respect to the continuance, discontinuance, withdrawal, compromise, settlement or other disposal of such action; provided, however, that the Trustee shall not, unless there no longer continues an Event of Default, discontinue, withdraw, compromise or settle, or otherwise dispose of any litigation pending at law or in equity, if at the time there has been filed with it a written request signed by the Owners of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds hereunder opposing such discontinuance, withdrawal, compromise, settlement or other disposal of such litigation.

Section 8.04 Limitation on Owner's Right to Sue. No Owner of any Bond issued hereunder shall have the right to institute any suit, action or proceeding at law or in equity, for any remedy under or upon this Indenture, unless (a) such Owner shall have previously given to the Successor Agency, the Trustee and any Insurer written notice of the occurrence of an Event of Default; (b) the Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of all the Bonds then Outstanding shall have made written request upon the Trustee to exercise the powers hereinbefore granted or to institute such action, suit or proceeding in its own name; (c) said Owners shall have tendered to the Trustee indemnity reasonably acceptable to the Trustee against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with such request; and (d) the Trustee shall have refused or omitted to comply with such request for a period of sixty (60) days after such written request shall have been received by, and said tender of indemnity shall have been made to, the Trustee.

Such notification, request, tender of indemnity and refusal or omission are hereby declared, in every case, to be conditions precedent to the exercise by any Owner of any remedy hereunder; it being understood and intended that no one or more Owners shall have any right in any manner whatever by his or their action to enforce any right under this Indenture, except in the manner herein provided, and that all proceedings at law or in equity to enforce any provision of this Indenture shall be instituted, had and maintained in the manner herein provided and for the equal benefit of all Owners of the Outstanding Bonds.

The right of any Owner of any Bond to receive payment of the principal of (and premium, if any) and interest on such Bond as herein provided, shall not be impaired or affected without the written consent of such Owner, notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section or any other provision of this Indenture.

**Section 8.05 Non-Waiver**. Nothing in this Article VIII or in any other provision of this Indenture or in the Bonds, shall affect or impair the obligation of the Successor Agency, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay from the Pledged Tax Revenues and other amounts pledged hereunder, the principal of and interest and redemption premium (if any) on the Bonds to the respective Owners on the respective Interest Payment Dates, as herein provided, or affect or impair the right of action, which is also absolute and unconditional, of the Owners or the Trustee to institute suit to enforce such payment by virtue of the contract embodied in the Bonds.

A waiver of any default by any Owner or the Trustee shall not affect any subsequent default or impair any rights or remedies on the subsequent default. No delay or omission of any Owner to exercise any right or power accruing upon any default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence therein, and every power and remedy conferred upon the Owners and the Trustee by the Law or by this Article VIII may be enforced and exercised from time to time and as often as shall be deemed expedient by the Owners and the Trustee.

If a suit, action or proceeding to enforce any right or exercise any remedy shall be abandoned or determined adversely to the Owners or the Trustee, the Successor Agency, the Trustee and the Owners shall be restored to their former positions, rights and remedies as if such suit, action or proceeding had not been brought or taken.

Section 8.06 Actions by Trustee as Attorney-in-Fact. Any suit, action or proceeding which any Owner shall have the right to bring to enforce any right or remedy hereunder may be brought by the Trustee for the equal benefit and protection of all Owners similarly situated and the Trustee is hereby appointed (and the successive respective Owners by taking and holding the Bonds shall be conclusively deemed so to have appointed it) the true and lawful attorney-in-fact of the respective Owners for the purpose of bringing any such suit, action or proceeding and to do and perform any and all acts and things for and on behalf of the respective Owners as a class or classes, as may be necessary or advisable in the opinion of the Trustee as such attorney-in-fact, provided, however, the Trustee shall have no duty or obligation to exercise any such right or remedy unless it has been indemnified to its satisfaction from any loss, liability or expense (including fees and expenses of its outside counsel and the allocated costs and disbursements of its in-house counsel to the extent such services are not redundant with those provided by outside counsel).

**Section 8.07 Remedies Not Exclusive**. No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Owners is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy. Every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing, at law or in equity or by statute or otherwise, and may be exercised without exhausting and without regard to any other remedy conferred by the Law or any other law.

**Section 8.08 Determination of Percentage of Bondowners.** Whenever in this Indenture the consent, direction or other action is required or permitted to be given or taken by a percentage of the Owners of an aggregate principal amount of Outstanding Bonds (including by the Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds), such percentage shall be calculated on the basis of the principal amount of the Outstanding Bonds determined as of the next succeeding Interest Payment Date.

#### **ARTICLE IX**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Section 9.01 Special Obligations**. The Bonds are special obligations of the Successor Agency secured by a pledge and lien as described in Section 4.01 hereof. The Bonds are not debts, liabilities or obligations of the City previously defined, the State of California, or any of its political subdivisions, and neither the City, said State, nor any of its political subdivisions is liable thereon, nor in any event shall the Bonds be payable out of any funds or properties other than those pledged by the Successor Agency. The Bonds do not constitute an indebtedness in contravention of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction.

**Section 9.02 Benefits Limited to Parties**. Nothing in this Indenture, expressed or implied, is intended to give to any person other than the Successor Agency, each Insurer, the Trustee and the Owners, any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Indenture. Any covenants, stipulations, promises or agreements in this Indenture contained by and on behalf of the Successor Agency shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Trustee, such Insurers and the Owners. To the extent that this Indenture confers upon or gives any Insurer any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Indenture, each Insurer is hereby explicitly recognized as being third-party beneficiaries hereunder and may enforce any such right remedy or claim conferred, given or granted hereunder.

Section 9.03 Successor is Deemed Included in All References to Predecessor. Whenever in this Indenture or any Supplemental Indenture either the Successor Agency or the Trustee is named or referred to, such reference shall be deemed to include the successors or assigns thereof, and all the covenants and agreements in this Indenture contained by or on behalf of the Successor Agency or the Trustee shall bind and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns thereof whether so expressed or not.

# Section 9.04 Discharge of Indenture.

- (a) If the Successor Agency shall pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on all Bonds or any portion thereof in any one or more of the following ways:
- (i) by well and truly paying or causing to be paid the principal of and interest and premium (if any) on all or the applicable portion of Outstanding Bonds, as and when the same become due and payable;
- (ii) by irrevocably depositing with the Trustee in trust or an escrow agent, at or before maturity, money which, together with the available amounts then on deposit in the funds and accounts established pursuant to this Indenture, is fully sufficient to pay all or the applicable portion of Outstanding Bonds, including all principal, interest and redemption premiums, if any, or;
- (iii) by irrevocably depositing with the Trustee in trust or an escrow agent, Defeasance Obligations in such amount as an Independent Accountant shall determine (as evidenced by a verification report prepared and delivered by such Independent Accountant certifying such determination) will, together with the interest to accrue thereon and available moneys then on deposit in the funds and accounts established pursuant to this Indenture or on deposit with such escrow agent, be fully sufficient to pay and discharge the indebtedness on all Bonds or the applicable portion thereof (including all principal, interest and redemption premiums) at or before maturity;

then, at the election of the Successor Agency, and notwithstanding that any Bonds shall not have been surrendered for payment, the pledge of the Pledged Tax Revenues and other amounts, funds and accounts described in Section 4.01 hereof and all other obligations of the Trustee and the Successor Agency under this Indenture shall cease and terminate with respect to all Outstanding Bonds or, if applicable, with respect to that portion of the Bonds which has been paid and discharged, except only (A) the covenants of the Successor Agency hereunder with respect to the Code, (B) the obligation of the Trustee to transfer and exchange Bonds hereunder, (C) the obligations of the Successor Agency under Section 6.06 hereof, and (D) the obligation of the Successor Agency to pay or cause to be paid to the Owners (or any Insurer), from the amounts so deposited with the Trustee, all sums due thereon and to pay the Trustee and any Insurer all fees, expenses and costs of the Trustee and any Insurer. In the event the Successor Agency shall, pursuant to the foregoing provision, pay and discharge any portion or all of the Bonds then Outstanding, the Trustee shall be authorized to take such actions and execute and deliver to the Successor Agency all such instruments as may be necessary or desirable to evidence such discharge, including, without limitation, selection by lot of Bonds of any maturity of the Bonds that the Successor Agency has determined to pay and discharge in part.

In the case of a defeasance or payment of all of the Bonds Outstanding, any funds thereafter held by the Trustee which are not required for said purpose or for payment of amounts due the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.06 shall be paid over to the Successor Agency.

[To the extent that any of the Bonds to be defeased are 2022 Bonds, at least three Business Days prior to any defeasance, the Successor Agency shall deliver to the 2022 Insurer draft copies of an escrow agreement, an opinion of Bond Counsel regarding the validity and enforceability of the escrow agreement and the defeasance of such 2022 Bonds, and a verification report (a "Verification Report") prepared by an Independent Accountant regarding the sufficiency of the escrow fund. Such opinion and Verification Report shall be addressed to such Insurer and the opinion, escrow agreement and Verification Report shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the 2022 Insurer.]

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event that the principal and/or interest due of the Bonds is paid by any Insurer, such Bonds shall remain Outstanding for all purposes, not be defeased or otherwise satisfied and not be considered paid by the Successor Agency, and the assignment and pledge of the Pledged Tax Revenues and other assets hereunder and all covenants, agreements and other obligations of the Successor Agency to the Bondowners so paid shall continue to exist and shall run to the benefit of such Insurer, and such Insurer shall be subrogated to the rights of such Bondowners, as applicable.

**Section 9.05 Execution of Documents and Proof of Ownership by Owners.** Any request, consent, declaration or other instrument which this Indenture may require or permit to be executed by any Owner may be in one or more instruments of similar tenor, and shall be executed by such Owner in person or by such Owner's attorneys appointed in writing.

Except as otherwise herein expressly provided, the fact and date of the execution by any Owner or his attorney of such request, declaration or other instrument, or of such writing appointing such attorney, may be proved by the certificate of any notary public or other officer authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds to be recorded in the state in which he purports to act, that the person signing such request, declaration or other instrument or writing acknowledged to him the execution thereof, or by an affidavit of a witness of such execution, duly sworn to before such notary public or other officer.

The ownership of Bonds and the amount, maturity, number and date of ownership thereof shall be proved by the Registration Books.

Any demand, request, direction, consent, declaration or other instrument or writing of the Owner of any Bond shall bind all future Owners of such Bond in respect of anything done or suffered to be done by the Successor Agency or the Trustee and in accordance therewith, provided, however, that the Trustee shall not be deemed to have knowledge that any Bond is owned by or for the account of the Successor Agency unless the Successor Agency is the registered Owner or the Trustee has received written notice that any other registered Owner is such an affiliate.

**Section 9.06 Disqualified Bonds**. In determining whether the Owners of the requisite aggregate principal amount of Bonds have concurred in any demand, request, direction, consent or waiver under this Indenture, Bonds which are owned or held by or for the account of the Successor Agency or the City (but excluding Bonds held in any employees' retirement fund) shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding for the purpose of any such determination. Upon request of the Trustee, the Successor Agency and the City shall specify in a certificate to the Trustee those Bonds disqualified pursuant to this Section and the Trustee may conclusively rely on such certificate.

**Section 9.07** Waiver of Personal Liability. No member, officer, agent or employee of the Successor Agency shall be individually or personally liable for the payment of the principal or interest or any premium on the Bonds; but nothing herein contained shall relieve any such member, officer, agent or employee from the performance of any official duty provided by law.

**Section 9.08 Destruction of Cancelled Bonds**. Whenever in this Indenture provision is made for the surrender to the Trustee of any Bonds which have been paid or cancelled pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture, the Trustee shall destroy such bonds and upon request of the Successor Agency provide the Successor Agency a certificate of destruction. The Successor Agency shall be entitled to rely upon any statement of fact contained in any certificate with respect to the destruction of any such Bonds therein referred to.

**Section 9.09 Notices**. Any notice, request, demand, communication or other paper shall be sufficiently given and shall be deemed given when delivered or upon receipt when mailed by first class, registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, or sent by facsimile, addressed as follows:

If to the Successor Agency:	Successor Agency of the Former
	Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon
	4305 S Santa Fe Avenue
	Vernon, CA 90058
	Attention: Executive Director
If to the Trustee:	The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. 333 S. Hope Street, Suite 2525. Los Angeles, CA 9007 Attention: Corporate Trust Department
If to the Insurer:	[
	]

The Successor Agency and the Trustee may designate any further or different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates or other communications shall be sent.

Section 9.10 Partial Invalidity. If any Section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Indenture shall for any reason be held illegal, invalid or unenforceable, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Indenture. The Successor Agency hereby declares that it would have adopted this Indenture and each and every other Section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase hereof and authorized the issue of the Bonds pursuant thereto irrespective of the fact that any one or more Sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of this Indenture may be held illegal, invalid or unenforceable. If, by reason of the judgment of any court, the Trustee is rendered unable to perform its duties hereunder, all such duties and all of the rights and powers of the Trustee hereunder shall, pending appointment of a successor Trustee in accordance with the provisions of Section 6.01 hereof, be assumed by and vest in the Finance Officer of the Successor Agency in trust for the benefit of the Owners. The Successor Agency covenants for the direct benefit of the Owners that its Finance Officer in such case shall be vested with all of the rights and powers of the Trustee hereunder, and shall assume all of the responsibilities and perform all of the duties of the Trustee hereunder, in trust for the benefit of the Bonds, pending appointment of a successor Trustee in accordance with the provisions of Section 6.01 hereof.

**Section 9.11 Unclaimed Moneys**. Anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding, any money held by the Trustee in trust for the payment and discharge of the interest or premium (if any) on or principal of the Bonds which remains unclaimed for two (2) years after the date when the payments of such interest, premium and principal have become payable, if such money was held by the Trustee at such date, or for two (2) years after the date of deposit of such money if deposited with the Trustee after the date when the interest and premium (if any) on and principal of such Bonds have become payable, shall be repaid by the Trustee to the Successor Agency as its absolute property free from trust, and the Trustee shall thereupon be released and discharged with respect thereto and the Bondowners shall look only to the Successor Agency for the payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premium (if any) on of such Bonds.

Section 9.12 Execution in Counterparts; Electronic Delivery of Signatures. This Indenture may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Signatures appearing on any counterpart of this Indenture may be delivered by facsimile transmission or by electronic delivery in PDF format, which transmission or delivery shall be deemed delivery of an originally executed document.

**Section 9.13 Governing Law**. This Indenture shall be construed and governed in accordance with the laws of the State.

**Section 9.14 OFAC Compliance**. The Successor Agency covenants and represents that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers are the target or subject of any sanctions enforced by the US Government, (including, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the US Department of the Treasury ("OFAC")), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, HM Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively "Sanctions"). The Successor Agency covenants and represents that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers will use any payments made pursuant to this Indenture, (i) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person who, at the time of such funding or facilitation, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any country or territory that is the target or

subject of Sanctions, or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation of Sanctions by any person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON has caused this Indenture to be signed in its name by its Executive Director, and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., in token of its acceptance of the trusts created hereunder, has caused this Indenture to be signed in its corporate name by its officer thereunto duly authorized, all as of the day and year first above written.

	SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON
	By: Executive Director
ATTEST:	
Secretary	
	THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., as Trustee
	By:Authorized Officer

### **EXHIBIT A**

### FORM OF BOND

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF CALIFORNIA

### SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BOND, SERIES [2022A] [2022B (FEDERALLY TAXABLE)]

INTEREST RATE:	MATURITY DATE:	DATED DATE:	CUSIP:	
%	September 1, 20	, 2022		
REGISTERED OWNER:	CEDE & CO.			
PRINCIPAL SUM:		DC	LLARS	

The SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON, a public entity duly existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California (the "Successor Agency"), for value received hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner stated above, or registered assigns (the "Registered Owner"), on the Maturity Date stated above (subject to any right of prior redemption hereinafter provided for, if any), the Principal Sum stated above and to pay interest thereon from the Interest Payment Date (as hereinafter defined) next preceding the date of authentication of this Bond (as defined below), unless (i) this Bond is authenticated on or before an Interest Payment Date and after the close of business on the fifteenth (15th) calendar day of the month preceding such Interest Payment Date, whether or not such fifteenth (15th) calendar day is a Business Day (the "Record Date") and on or before the following Interest Payment Date, in which event it shall bear interest from such Interest Payment Date, or (ii) this Bond is authenticated on or before \_\_\_\_\_ 15, 20\_\_, in which event it shall bear interest from the Dated Date above; provided however, that if at the time of authentication of this Bond, interest is in default on this Bond, this Bond shall bear interest from the Interest Payment Date to which interest has previously been paid or made available for payment on this Bond, until payment of such Principal Sum in full, at the Interest Rate per annum stated above, payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 in each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 20\_\_ (each an "Interest Payment Date"), calculated on the basis of a 360day year comprised of twelve 30-day months. Principal hereof and premium, if any, upon redemption hereof, if any, are payable in lawful money of the United States of America upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at the corporate trust office (the "Principal Corporate Trust Office") of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee"). Interest hereon (including the final interest payment upon maturity or redemption) is payable when due by check or draft of the Trustee mailed on the Interest Payment Date to the Registered Owner hereof at the Registered Owner's address as it appears on the Registration Books maintained by the Trustee at the close of business on the preceding Record Date; provided however, that at the written request of any Registered Owner of at least \$1,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, which written request is on file with the Trustee on any Record Date, interest hereon shall be paid by wire to such account in the United States as is specified in such written request.

This Bond is one of a duly authorized issue of bonds of the Successor Agency designated as "Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series [2022A] [2022B (Federally Taxable)]" (the "2022[A][B] Bonds"), of an aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, all of like tenor and date (except for such variation, if any, as may be required to designate varying series, numbers, maturities, interest rates, or redemption, if any, and other provisions) and all issued pursuant to the provisions of the Refunding Law, the Dissolution Act, and the Law (as such terms are defined in the Indenture), and pursuant to an Indenture of Trust, dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2022, entered into by and between the Successor Agency and the Trustee (the "Indenture"). Concurrently with the issuance of the 2022[A][B] Bonds, the Successor Agency will issue the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series [2022A] [2022B (Federally Taxable)] (the "2022[A][B] Bonds") and together with the Series 2022[A][B] Bonds, the "Bonds") pursuant to the terms of the Indenture. The 2022[A][B] Bonds constitute Bonds and are secured on a parity with other Bonds and Parity Debt under the Indenture.

The Bonds are being issued in the form of registered Bonds without coupons. Additional Parity Debt may be issued on a parity with the Bonds, but only subject to the terms of the Indenture. Reference is hereby made to the Indenture (copies of which are on file at the office of the Successor Agency) and all indentures supplemental thereto and to the Refunding Law, the Dissolution Act, and the Law for a description of the terms on which the Bonds are issued, the provisions with regard to the nature and extent of the Pledged Tax Revenues (as that term is defined in the Indenture), and the rights thereunder of the Registered Owners of the Bonds and the rights, duties and immunities of the Trustee and the rights and obligations of the Successor Agency thereunder, to all of the provisions of which Indenture the Registered Owner of this Bond, by acceptance hereof, assents and agrees. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given them in the Indenture.

The Bonds have been issued by the Successor Agency for the purpose of providing funds to refinance certain bonds issued by the Former Agency with respect to the Project Area and to pay certain expenses of the Successor Agency in issuing the Bonds.

The Bonds are special obligations of the Successor Agency and this Bond and the interest hereon and all other Bonds and the interest thereon (to the extent set forth in the Indenture), are secured by a statutory pledge of, and lien on, Pledged Tax Revenues deposited in the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund held by the Auditor-Controller of Los Angeles County, a pledge of, security interest in and lien on the Pledged Tax Revenues on deposit in the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund, including the Special Fund therein, the Debt Service Fund, and any fund or account created under the Indenture, and are payable from Pledged Tax Revenues remaining after payment of certain amounts to the County Auditor-Controller for its administrative expenses, to certain taxing entities pursuant to Pass-Through Agreements, to certain taxing entities as statutory pass-through payments, as provided in the Dissolution Act and the Indenture.

There has been created, and will be maintained by, the Successor Agency the Special Fund into which Pledged Tax Revenues deposited by the Auditor-Controller of Los Angeles County in the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Fund shall be transferred and from which the Successor Agency shall transfer amounts to the Trustee for payment, when due, of the principal of and the interest and redemption premium, if any, on the Bonds and any Parity Debt (as defined in the Indenture).

[The 2022[A][B] Bonds are subject to optional and mandatory sinking fund redemption prior to maturity as provided in the Indenture.]

If an Event of Default, as defined in the Indenture, shall occur, the principal of all Bonds may be declared due and payable upon the conditions, in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture, but such declaration and its consequences may be rescinded and annulled as further provided in the Indenture.

The Bonds are issuable as fully registered Bonds without coupons in denominations of \$5,000 and any integral multiple thereof. Subject to the limitations and conditions and upon payment of the charges, if any, as provided in the Indenture, Bonds may be exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds of other authorized denominations and of the same series, tenor and maturity.

This Bond is transferable upon the Registration Books, by the person in whose name it was registered, in person or by a duly authorized attorney of such person upon surrender to the Trustee at the Principal Corporate Trust Office for cancellation, but only in the manner and subject to the limitations provided in the Indenture. Upon registration of such transfer a new fully registered Bond or Bonds, of any authorized denomination or denominations, for the same aggregate principal amount and of the same series, tenor and maturity will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor. The Trustee may refuse to transfer or exchange (a) any Bond during the fifteen (15) days prior to the date established for the selection of Bonds for redemption, or (b) any Bond selected for redemption.

The Successor Agency and the Trustee may treat the Registered Owner hereof as the absolute owner hereof for all purposes, and the Successor Agency and the Trustee shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary.

The rights and obligations of the Successor Agency and the Registered Owners of the Bonds may be modified or amended at any time in the manner, to the extent and upon the terms provided in the Indenture, but no such modification or amendment shall (a) extend the maturity of or reduce the interest rate on any Bond or otherwise alter or impair the obligation of the Successor Agency to pay the principal, interest or redemption premiums (if any) at the time and place and at the rate and in the currency provided herein of any Bond without the express written consent of the respective Insurer and the Registered Owner of such Bond, or (b) reduce the percentage of Bonds required for the written consent to any such amendment or modification. In no event shall a Supplemental Indenture modify any of the rights or obligations of any Insurer without its prior written consent.

Unless this Bond is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the Successor Agency or the Trustee for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment, and any Bond issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the Registered Owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

This Bond is not a debt, liability or obligation of the City of Vernon, the State of California, or any of its political subdivisions, and neither said City, said State, nor any of its political subdivisions

is liable hereon, nor in any event shall this Bond be payable out of any funds or properties other than those pledged by the Successor Agency. The Bonds do not constitute an indebtedness in contravention of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation or restriction.

It is hereby certified that all of the things, conditions and acts required to exist, to have happened or to have been performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond do exist, have happened or have been performed in due and regular time and manner as required by the Law and the laws of the State of California, and that the amount of this Bond, together with all other indebtedness of the Successor Agency, does not exceed any limit prescribed by the Law or any laws of the State of California, and is not in excess of the amount of Bonds permitted to be issued under the Indenture.

This Bond shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or become valid or obligatory for any purpose until the Trustee's Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been manually signed by the Trustee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon has caused this Bond to be executed in its name and on its behalf with the facsimile signature of its Executive Director and attested by the facsimile signature of its Secretary, all as of the Dated Date set forth above.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE

		FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON	
	Ву:	Executive Director	
ATTEST:			
Secretary			

### $[FORM\ OF\ TRUSTEE'S\ CERTIFICATE\ OF\ AUTHENTICATION]$

This is one of the Bonds described in	in the within-mentioned Indenture.
Authentication Date:, 2022	
	THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., as Trustee
	By:
	Authorized Signatory

### [FORM OF ASSIGNMENT]

For value received the undersigned hereb	y sells, assigns and transfers unto
(Name, Address and Tax Identification	n or Social Security Number of Assignee)
the within-registered Bond and he	reby irrevocably constitute(s) and appoints(s) attorney.
to transfer the same on the registration books opremises.	of the Trustee with full power of substitution in the
Dated:	
Signatures Guaranteed:	
Note: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor.	Note: The signatures(s) on this Assignment must correspond with the name(s) as written on the face of the within Bond in every particular without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

### **EXHIBIT B**

### REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

On November 27, 1990, the City Council of the City of Vernon adopted Ordinance No. 992 which adopted the Industrial Redevelopment Plan (the "Plan") for the Project Area. The original Project Area (the "Original Area") consists of approximately 1,988 acres. The Plan was amended on July 14, 1998, by Ordinance No. 1063, to add area (the "Amendment Area"), composed of approximately 137 acres. Collectively the Original Area and the Amendment Area are referred to as the Project Area.

### **EXHIBIT C**

### LIST OF PASS-THROUGH AGREEMENTS

- 1. Agreement entitled "Agreement for the Payment of Tax Increment" dated February 20, 1991, by and between the Former Agency and the Los Angeles Unified School District.
- 2. Agreement entitled "Agreement for the Payment of Tax Increment" dated February 8, 1993 by and between the Former Agency and the Los Angeles Community College District.
- 3. Agreement entitled "Agreement for Allocation of Tax Increment Funds (Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project)" dated November 16, 1993 by and between the Former Agency, the City, and the County and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

### ESCROW AGREEMENT (2005 BONDS)

This ESCROW AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_1, 2022, is by and between the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Successor Agency"), as successor to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Former Agency"), and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., a national banking association having a corporate trust office in Los Angeles, California, and being qualified to accept and administer the escrow hereby created (acting in such capacity, the "Escrow Bank").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Indenture of Trust dated as of October 1, 2005 (the "Prior Indenture"), by and between the Former Agency and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (acting in such capacity, the "Prior Trustee"), the Former Agency issued its \$49,420,000 initial aggregate principal amount Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2005 (the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, a portion of the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds shall be set aside in order to provide for the payment of the Refunded Bonds and such proceeds shall be deposited in a special escrow fund to be created hereunder and maintained by the Escrow Bank (the "Escrow Fund"); and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency has taken action to cause to be delivered to the Escrow Bank, for deposit in the Escrow Fund, proceeds of the Refunding Bonds in an amount which, together with the cash deposits described herein, is intended by the Successor Agency to be sufficient to redeem the Refunded Bonds on the Redemption Date at the Redemption Price;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Successor Agency and the Escrow Bank hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Establishment, Funding and Maintenance of Escrow Fund</u>. The Escrow Bank agrees to establish and maintain the Escrow Fund until final payment of the Refunded Bonds has been paid in full and to hold the moneys therein at all times as a special and separate escrow fund (wholly segregated from all other moneys on deposit with the Escrow Bank). The Successor Agency hereby instructs the Prior Trustee to transfer \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the funds and accounts maintained with respect to the Refunded Bonds pursuant to the Prior Indenture to the Escrow Bank for deposit in the Escrow Fund. The Successor Agency hereby instructs the Escrow Bank to deposit \$\_\_\_\_\_ received from the Successor Agency, representing amounts received from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ distribution, into the Escrow Fund. The Successor Agency hereby instructs the Escrow Bank to deposit \$\_\_\_\_\_ received from the Refunding Bonds Trustee from

a portion of the net proceeds of the sale of the Refunding Bonds into the Escrow Fund. The Escrow Bank shall hold all such amounts uninvested in cash.

Section 2. Payment of the Refunded Bonds. The Successor Agency hereby requests and irrevocably instructs the Escrow Bank, and the Escrow Bank hereby agrees, to collect and deposit in the Escrow Fund the amounts deposited pursuant to Section 1 hereof and to transfer all such amounts to the Prior Trustee for the payment of the Refunded Bonds at the places and in the manner stipulated in the Refunded Bonds and in the Prior Indenture. The Prior Trustee hereby confirms that it provided the Notice of Redemption in the form attached hereto as Schedule B on , 2022, pursuant to Section 2.04(b)(3) of the Prior Indenture, in accordance with instructions previously delivered by the Successor Agency to the Prior Trustee. The Successor Agency hereby irrevocably instructs the Prior Trustee to (ii) provide the Notice of Defeasance in substantially the form set forth in Schedule A hereto, and (ii) file such Notice of Defeasance with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access System, maintained on the internet at http://emma.msrb.org/. In accordance with Sections 2.03 and 9.03 of the Prior Indenture, the Escrow Bank is irrevocably instructed to redeem the Refunded Bonds on the Redemption Date at the Redemption Price. Upon payment in full of the Refunded Bonds, the Escrow Bank shall transfer any moneys remaining in the Escrow Fund to the Successor Agency and this Agreement shall terminate.

### Section 3. <u>Possible Deficiencies; Amounts in Excess of Required Cash Balance.</u>

- (a) If at any time the Escrow Bank has actual knowledge that the moneys in the Escrow Fund will not be sufficient to make all payments required by Section 2 hereof, the Escrow Bank shall notify the Successor Agency in writing as soon as is reasonably practicable, of such fact, the amount of such deficiency and the reason therefor solely to the extent actually known to it; provided, however, the Successor Agency shall have no liability under this Agreement for any deficiency and shall not be required by the terms of this Agreement to provide funds to eliminate any such deficiency.
- (b) The Escrow Bank shall in no manner be responsible for any deficiency in the Escrow Fund, and nothing herein shall impose or imply any obligation on the part of the Escrow Bank to verify, compute, or otherwise inquire into the sufficiency of the Escrow Fund for the purposes hereof.

### Section 4. Fees and Costs.

- (a) The Successor Agency shall pay to the Escrow Bank from time to time reasonable compensation for all services rendered under this Agreement and shall reimburse the Escrow Bank for all out of pocket expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses) incurred hereunder.
- (b) The fees of and the costs incurred by the Escrow Bank shall in no event be deducted or payable from, or constitute a lien against, the Escrow Fund.
- Section 5. <u>Merger or Consolidation</u>. Any company into which the Escrow Bank may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated or any company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which it shall be a party or any company to which the Escrow Bank may sell or transfer all or substantially all of its corporate trust business, provided such company shall

be eligible under this Agreement, shall be the successor to such Escrow Bank without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary.

Section 6. Indemnity. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Successor Agency hereby assumes liability for, and hereby agrees (whether or not any of the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated) to indemnify, protect, save and keep harmless the Escrow Bank and its respective successors, assigns, directors, officers, agents, employees and servants, from and against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, suits, costs, expenses and disbursements (including reasonable legal fees and disbursements) of whatsoever kind and nature which may be imposed on, incurred by, or asserted against, the Escrow Bank at any time (whether or not also indemnified against the same by the Successor Agency or any other person under any other agreement or instrument, but without double indemnity) in any way relating to or arising out of the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the establishment hereunder of the Escrow Fund, the acceptance of the funds deposited therein, and any payment, transfer or other application of moneys by the Escrow Bank in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; provided, however, that the Successor Agency shall not be required to indemnify the Escrow Bank against the Escrow Bank's own negligence or willful misconduct or to indemnify the Escrow Bank's respective successors, assigns, agents and employees for their negligence or willful misconduct or to indemnify for the breach by the Escrow Bank of the terms of this Agreement. In no event shall the Successor Agency or the Escrow Bank be liable to any person by reason of the transactions contemplated hereby other than to each other as set forth in this Agreement. The indemnities contained in this section shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the resignation or removal of the Escrow Bank.

Section 7. Responsibilities of the Escrow Bank. The Escrow Bank and its respective successors, assigns, agents and servants shall not be held to any personal liability whatsoever, in tort, contract, or otherwise, in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the establishment of the Escrow Fund, the acceptance of the moneys deposited therein, or any payment, transfer or other application of moneys or obligations by the Escrow Bank in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement or by reason of any non-negligent act, non-negligent omission or nonnegligent error of the Escrow Bank made in good faith in the conduct of its duties. The recitals of fact contained in the "Whereas" clauses herein shall be taken as the statements of the Successor Agency and the Escrow Bank assumes no responsibility for the correctness thereof. The Escrow Bank makes no representation as to the sufficiency of the amounts deposited into the Escrow Fund to accomplish the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds or to the validity of this Agreement as to the Successor Agency and, except as otherwise provided herein, the Escrow Bank shall incur no liability with respect thereto. The Escrow Bank shall not be liable in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement except for its own negligence, willful misconduct or default, and the duties and obligations of the Escrow Bank shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Agreement and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read against the Escrow Bank hereunder. The Escrow Bank may consult with counsel, who may or may not be counsel to the Successor Agency, and in reliance upon the written opinion or advice of such counsel shall have full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken, suffered or omitted by it in good faith in accordance therewith. No provisions of this Agreement shall require the Escrow Bank to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability by the performance or exercise of its rights or powers. Whenever the Escrow Bank shall deem it necessary or desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Agreement, such matter may be deemed to be conclusively established by a certificate signed by an authorized officer of the Successor Agency.

The Escrow Bank may conclusively rely and shall be fully protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, approval or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties. The Escrow Bank may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents, attorneys, custodians or nominees appointed with due care, and shall not be responsible for any willful misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent, attorney, custodian or nominee so appointed.

Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, in no event shall the Escrow Bank be liable for special, indirect, punitive or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to lost profits), even if the Escrow Bank has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The Escrow Bank shall not be liable to the parties hereto or deemed in breach or default hereunder if and to the extent its performance hereunder is prevented by reason of force majeure. The term "force majeure" means an occurrence that is beyond the control of the Escrow Bank and could not have been avoided by exercising due care. Force majeure shall include acts of God, terrorism, war, riots, strikes, fire, floods, earthquakes, epidemics or other similar occurrences.

The Escrow Bank shall have the right to accept and act upon instructions, including funds transfer instructions ("Instructions") given pursuant to this Agreement and delivered using Electronic Means ("Electronic Means" shall mean the following communications methods: e-mail, facsimile transmission, secure electronic transmission containing applicable authorization codes, passwords and/or authentication keys issued by the Escrow Bank, or another method or system specified by the Escrow Bank as available for use in connection with its services hereunder); provided, however, that the Successor Agency shall provide to the Escrow Bank an incumbency certificate listing officers with the authority to provide such Instructions ("Authorized Officers") and containing specimen signatures of such Authorized Officers, which incumbency certificate shall be amended by the Successor Agency whenever a person is to be added or deleted from the listing. If the Successor Agency elects to give the Escrow Bank Instructions using Electronic Means and the Escrow Bank in its discretion elects to act upon such Instructions, the Escrow Bank's understanding of such Instructions shall be deemed controlling. The Successor Agency understands and agrees that the Escrow Bank cannot determine the identity of the actual sender of such Instructions and that the Escrow Bank shall conclusively presume that directions that purport to have been sent by an Authorized Officer listed on the incumbency certificate provided to the Escrow Bank have been sent by such Authorized Officer. The Successor Agency shall be responsible for ensuring that only Authorized Officers transmit such Instructions to the Escrow Bank and that the Successor Agency and all Authorized Officers are solely responsible to safeguard the use and confidentiality of applicable user and authorization codes, passwords and/or authentication keys upon receipt by the Successor Agency. The Escrow Bank shall not be liable for any losses, costs or expenses arising directly or indirectly from the Escrow Bank's reliance upon and compliance with such Instructions notwithstanding such directions conflict or are inconsistent with a subsequent written instruction. The Successor Agency agrees: (i) to assume all risks arising out of the use of Electronic Means to submit Instructions to the Escrow Bank, including without limitation the risk of the Escrow Bank acting on unauthorized Instructions, and the risk of interception and misuse by third parties; (ii) that it is fully informed of the protections and risks associated with the various methods of transmitting Instructions to the Escrow Bank and that there may be more secure methods of transmitting Instructions than the method(s) selected by the Successor Agency; (iii) that the security procedures (if any) to be followed in connection with its transmission of Instructions provide to it a commercially reasonable degree of protection in light of its particular needs and circumstances; and (iv) to notify the Escrow Bank immediately upon learning of any compromise or unauthorized use of the security procedures.

The Successor Agency acknowledges that to the extent regulations of the Comptroller of the Currency or other applicable regulatory entity grant the Successor Agency the right to receive brokerage confirmations of security transactions as they occur, the Successor Agency specifically waives receipt of such confirmations to the extent permitted by law. The Escrow Bank will furnish the Successor Agency periodic cash transaction statements which include detail for all investment transactions made by the Escrow Bank hereunder.

The Escrow Bank shall have no liability or responsibility for any loss resulting from any investment made in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

The Escrow Bank shall not be liable for the accuracy of any calculations provided as to the sufficiency of the moneys deposited with it to pay the principal, interest, or premiums, if any, on the Refunded Bonds.

Section 8. Amendments. This Agreement is made for the benefit of the Successor Agency and the owners from time to time of the Refunded Bonds and it shall not be repealed, revoked, altered or amended without the written consent of all such owners, the Escrow Bank and the Successor Agency; provided, however, that if the Successor Agency and the Escrow Bank receive an opinion of nationally recognized bond attorneys to the effect that the exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of the interest on the Refunded Bonds and the Bonds will not be adversely affected thereby, they may, without the consent of, or notice to, such owners, amend this Agreement or enter into such agreements supplemental to this Agreement as shall not materially adversely affect the rights of such owners and as shall not be inconsistent with the terms and provisions of this Agreement, for any one or more of the following purposes: (i) to cure any ambiguity or formal defect or omission in this Agreement; (ii) to grant to, or confer upon, the Escrow Bank for the benefit of the owners of the Refunded Bonds any additional rights, remedies, powers or authority that may lawfully be granted to, or conferred upon, such owners or the Escrow Bank; (iii) to include under this Agreement additional funds, securities or properties (but only if the sufficiency of the Escrow Fund for the purpose herein set forth is verified by a nationally recognized firm of independent certified public accountants) and shall hold funds received by it uninvested. The Escrow Bank shall be entitled to rely conclusively upon an unqualified opinion of nationally recognized municipal bond attorneys with respect to compliance with this Section 8, including the extent, if any, to which any change, modification, addition or elimination affects the rights of the owners of the Refunded Bonds or that any instrument executed hereunder complies with the conditions and provisions of this Section 8.

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- Section 13. <u>Definitions</u>. Any capitalized term used but not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Prior Indenture.
- Section 14. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Escrow Bank or any successor thereto without the prior written consent of the Successor Agency provided, however, that an assignment made pursuant to Section 5 hereof shall not require prior written consent.
- Section 15. <u>Holidays</u>. If the date for making any payment or the last date for performance of any act or the exercising of any right, as provided in this Agreement, shall be a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in which the principal office of the Escrow Bank is located are authorized by law to remain closed, such payment may be made or act performed or right exercised on the next succeeding day not a legal holiday or a day on which such banking institutions are authorized by law to remain closed, with the same force and effect as if done on the nominal date provided in this Agreement; and no interest shall accrue for the period from and after such nominal date.
- Section 16. The Successor Agency covenants and represents that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers are the target or subject of any sanctions enforced by the US Government, (including, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the US Department of the Treasury ("OFAC")), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, HM Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively "Sanctions"). The Successor Agency covenants and represents that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers will use any payments made pursuant to this Agreement, (i) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person who, at the time of such funding or facilitation,, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any country or territory that is the target or subject of Sanctions, or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation of Sanctions by any person.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. have caused this Agreement to be executed each on its behalf as of the day and year first above written.

THE BANK OF NEW COMPANY, N.A., as Es	101111 1/122201 111	UST
By: Authorized Officer		
SUCCESSOR AGENOREDEVELOPMENT AC		
By: Executive Director		

### **SCHEDULE A**

# REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON INDUSTRIAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT TAX ALLOCATION BONDS, SERIES 2005

Maturity Date	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	CUSIP
9/1/2028	\$11,010,000	4.625%	924402AP5
9/1/2030	4,560,000	4.625%	924402AQ3
9/1/2035	15,215,000	5.000	924402AR1

Notice is hereby given to the owners of the above-captioned and listed bonds (collectively, the "Refunded Bonds") that:

The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Agency") has deposited in an Escrow Fund with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Escrow Bank, certain monies as permitted by that Indenture of Trust dated as of October 1, 2005 (the "Indenture"), by and between The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee") and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon, pursuant to which the Refunded Bonds were issued, for the purpose of defeasing the Refunded Bonds. The moneys deposited with the Escrow Bank will be sufficient to redeem the Refunded Bonds on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof and accrued interest thereon, without premium (the "Redemption Price").

The Refunded Bonds are deemed to be paid in accordance with Section 10.01 of the Indenture and all liability of the Successor Agency under the Indenture has ceased and been discharged except as provided in the Indenture. All obligations of the Successor Agency under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement Dated as of October 1, 2005 with respect to the Refunded Bonds have ceased, terminated and become void and have been discharged and satisfied.

The Successor Agency and the Trustee shall not be responsible for the selection or use of the CUSIP numbers selected, nor is any representation made as to their correctness indicated in the notice or as printed on any Refunded Bond. They are included for the convenience of the holders.

Dated:, 2022	THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST
	COMPANY, N.A.,
	as Escrow Bank

### **SCHEDULE B**

### CONDITIONAL NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

# REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON INDUSTRIAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT TAX ALLOCATION BONDS, SERIES 2005

BASE CUSIP NO. 924402

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the owners of the above-captioned \$49,420,000 initial aggregate principal amount Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon, Industrial Redevelopment Project, Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2005 that are listed below (the "Bonds") pursuant to the Indenture of Trust (the "Indenture"), dated as of October 1, 2005, by and between the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee"), that the Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$30,785,000 have been called for redemption on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Redemption Date").

Maturity Date	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	CUSIP
9/1/2028	\$11,010,000	4.625%	924402AP5
9/1/2030	4,560,000	4.625%	924402AQ3
9/1/2035	15,215,000	5.000	924402AR1

The Bonds will be payable on the Redemption Date at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount plus accrued interest to such date, without premium (the "Redemption Price"). Interest with respect to the Bonds to be redeemed will cease to accrue on and after the Redemption Date, and such Bonds will be surrendered to the Trustee.

All Bonds are required to be surrendered to the corporate office of the Trustee, on the Redemption Date at the following location. If payment is to be made to a person other than the Owner, the Bonds shall be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer duly executed by the Owner thereof or by his attorney duly authorized in writing. If the Bonds are mailed, the use of registered, insured mail is recommended:

BNY Mellon Corp Trust Attention: Transfers/Redemption 2001 Bryan Street 10th Floor Dallas, TX 75201

Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon By: The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.

as Escrow Bank and Trustee Bondholder Communications: 800-254-2826

If the Owner of any Bond subject to optional redemption fails to deliver such Bond to the Trustee on the Redemption Date, such Bond shall nevertheless be deemed redeemed on the Redemption Date and the Owner of such Bond shall have no rights in respect thereof except to receive payment of the Redemption Price from funds held by the Trustee for such payment.

Redemption of the Bonds is conditional upon the receipt by the Trustee on or prior to the Redemption Date of moneys sufficient to pay the principal of and interest with respect to such Bonds to be redeemed and, if such moneys have not been so received, this notice shall be of no force and effect and the Trustee shall not be required to redeem such Bonds. Any Bonds delivered for redemption shall be returned to the respective Owners thereof and said Bonds shall remain outstanding as though this conditional notice of redemption had not been given.

A form W-9 must be submitted with the Bonds. Failure to provide a completed form W-9, or certify the proper tax identification number will result in backup withholding under Section 3406 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon and the Trustee shall not be responsible for the selection or use of the CUSIP numbers selected, nor is any representation made as to their correctness indicated in the notice or as printed on any Bond. They are included for the convenience of the holders

			THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., as Trustee
DATED this	day of	, 2022.	

### ESCROW AGREEMENT (2011 BONDS)

This ESCROW AGREEMENT (the "Agreement"), dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_1, 2022, is by and between the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Successor Agency"), as successor to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Former Agency"), and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., a national banking association having a corporate trust office in Los Angeles, California, and being qualified to accept and administer the escrow hereby created (acting in such capacity, the "Escrow Bank").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Indenture of Trust dated as of October 1, 2005, as supplemented by a First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 1, 2011 (collectively, the "Prior Indenture"), each by and between the Former Agency and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (acting in such capacity, the "Prior Trustee"), the Former Agency issued its \$19,490,000 initial aggregate principal amount Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2011 (Federally Taxable) (the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Indenture of Trust dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_1, 2022 (the "Indenture"), by and between the Successor Agency and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (acting in such capacity, the "Refunding Bonds Trustee"), the Successor Agency issued its Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022B (the "Refunding Bonds"), for the purpose of providing moneys which, together with certain other amounts held under the Prior Indenture, will be sufficient to pay on \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Redemption Date"), the principal of the Refunded Bonds maturing after the Redemption Date at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest thereon to the Redemption Date, without premium (the "Redemption Price"); and

WHEREAS, a portion of the proceeds of the Refunding Bonds shall be set aside in order to provide for the payment of the Refunded Bonds and such proceeds shall be deposited in a special escrow fund to be created hereunder and maintained by the Escrow Bank (the "Escrow Fund"); and

WHEREAS, the Successor Agency has taken action to cause to be delivered to the Escrow Bank, for deposit in the Escrow Fund, proceeds of the Refunding Bonds in an amount which, together with the cash deposits described herein, is intended by the Successor Agency to be sufficient to redeem the Refunded Bonds on the Redemption Date at the Redemption Price;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Successor Agency and the Escrow Bank hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Establishment, Funding and Maintenance of Escrow Fund</u>. The Escrow Bank agrees to establish and maintain the Escrow Fund until final payment of the Refunded Bonds has been paid in full and to hold the moneys therein at all times as a special and separate escrow fund (wholly segregated from all other moneys on deposit with the Escrow Bank). The Successor Agency hereby instructs the Prior Trustee to transfer \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the funds and accounts maintained with respect to the Refunded Bonds pursuant to the Prior Indenture to the Escrow Bank for deposit in the Escrow Fund. The Successor Agency hereby instructs the Escrow Bank to deposit \$\_\_\_\_\_ received from the Successor Agency, representing amounts received from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ distribution, into the Escrow Fund. The Successor Agency hereby instructs the Escrow Bank to deposit \$\_\_\_\_\_ received from the Refunding Bonds Trustee from

a portion of the net proceeds of the sale of the Refunding Bonds into the Escrow Fund. The Escrow Bank shall hold all such amounts uninvested in cash.

Section 2. Payment of the Refunded Bonds. The Successor Agency hereby requests and irrevocably instructs the Escrow Bank, and the Escrow Bank hereby agrees, to collect and deposit in the Escrow Fund the amounts deposited pursuant to Section 1 hereof and to transfer all such amounts to the Prior Trustee for the payment of the Refunded Bonds at the places and in the manner stipulated in the Refunded Bonds and in the Prior Indenture. The Prior Trustee hereby confirms that it provided the Notice of Redemption in the form attached hereto as Schedule B on , 2022, pursuant to Section 2.04(b)(3) of the Prior Indenture, in accordance with instructions previously delivered by the Successor Agency to the Prior Trustee. The Successor Agency hereby irrevocably instructs the Prior Trustee to (ii) provide the Notice of Defeasance in substantially the form set forth in Schedule A hereto, and (ii) file such Notice of Defeasance with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access System, maintained on the internet at http://emma.msrb.org/. In accordance with Sections 2.03 and 9.03 of the Prior Indenture, the Escrow Bank is irrevocably instructed to redeem the Refunded Bonds on the Redemption Date at the Redemption Price. Upon payment in full of the Refunded Bonds, the Escrow Bank shall transfer any moneys remaining in the Escrow Fund to the Successor Agency and this Agreement shall terminate.

### Section 3. <u>Possible Deficiencies; Amounts in Excess of Required Cash Balance.</u>

- (a) If at any time the Escrow Bank has actual knowledge that the moneys in the Escrow Fund will not be sufficient to make all payments required by Section 2 hereof, the Escrow Bank shall notify the Successor Agency in writing as soon as is reasonably practicable, of such fact, the amount of such deficiency and the reason therefor solely to the extent actually known to it; provided, however, the Successor Agency shall have no liability under this Agreement for any deficiency and shall not be required by the terms of this Agreement to provide funds to eliminate any such deficiency.
- (b) The Escrow Bank shall in no manner be responsible for any deficiency in the Escrow Fund, and nothing herein shall impose or imply any obligation on the part of the Escrow Bank to verify, compute, or otherwise inquire into the sufficiency of the Escrow Fund for the purposes hereof.

### Section 4. Fees and Costs.

- (a) The Successor Agency shall pay to the Escrow Bank from time to time reasonable compensation for all services rendered under this Agreement and shall reimburse the Escrow Bank for all out of pocket expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses) incurred hereunder.
- (b) The fees of and the costs incurred by the Escrow Bank shall in no event be deducted or payable from, or constitute a lien against, the Escrow Fund.
- Section 5. <u>Merger or Consolidation</u>. Any company into which the Escrow Bank may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated or any company resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which it shall be a party or any company to which the Escrow Bank may sell or transfer all or substantially all of its corporate trust business, provided such company shall

be eligible under this Agreement, shall be the successor to such Escrow Bank without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary.

Section 6. Indemnity. To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Successor Agency hereby assumes liability for, and hereby agrees (whether or not any of the transactions contemplated hereby are consummated) to indemnify, protect, save and keep harmless the Escrow Bank and its respective successors, assigns, directors, officers, agents, employees and servants, from and against any and all liabilities, obligations, losses, damages, penalties, claims, actions, suits, costs, expenses and disbursements (including reasonable legal fees and disbursements) of whatsoever kind and nature which may be imposed on, incurred by, or asserted against, the Escrow Bank at any time (whether or not also indemnified against the same by the Successor Agency or any other person under any other agreement or instrument, but without double indemnity) in any way relating to or arising out of the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the establishment hereunder of the Escrow Fund, the acceptance of the funds deposited therein, and any payment, transfer or other application of moneys by the Escrow Bank in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; provided, however, that the Successor Agency shall not be required to indemnify the Escrow Bank against the Escrow Bank's own negligence or willful misconduct or to indemnify the Escrow Bank's respective successors, assigns, agents and employees for their negligence or willful misconduct or to indemnify for the breach by the Escrow Bank of the terms of this Agreement. In no event shall the Successor Agency or the Escrow Bank be liable to any person by reason of the transactions contemplated hereby other than to each other as set forth in this Agreement. The indemnities contained in this section shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the resignation or removal of the Escrow Bank.

Section 7. Responsibilities of the Escrow Bank. The Escrow Bank and its respective successors, assigns, agents and servants shall not be held to any personal liability whatsoever, in tort, contract, or otherwise, in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the establishment of the Escrow Fund, the acceptance of the moneys deposited therein, or any payment, transfer or other application of moneys or obligations by the Escrow Bank in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement or by reason of any non-negligent act, non-negligent omission or nonnegligent error of the Escrow Bank made in good faith in the conduct of its duties. The recitals of fact contained in the "Whereas" clauses herein shall be taken as the statements of the Successor Agency and the Escrow Bank assumes no responsibility for the correctness thereof. The Escrow Bank makes no representation as to the sufficiency of the amounts deposited into the Escrow Fund to accomplish the defeasance of the Refunded Bonds or to the validity of this Agreement as to the Successor Agency and, except as otherwise provided herein, the Escrow Bank shall incur no liability with respect thereto. The Escrow Bank shall not be liable in connection with the performance of its duties under this Agreement except for its own negligence, willful misconduct or default, and the duties and obligations of the Escrow Bank shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Agreement and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read against the Escrow Bank hereunder. The Escrow Bank may consult with counsel, who may or may not be counsel to the Successor Agency, and in reliance upon the written opinion or advice of such counsel shall have full and complete authorization and protection with respect to any action taken, suffered or omitted by it in good faith in accordance therewith. No provisions of this Agreement shall require the Escrow Bank to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial liability by the performance or exercise of its rights or powers. Whenever the Escrow Bank shall deem it necessary or desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering, or omitting any action under this Agreement, such matter may be deemed to be conclusively established by a certificate signed by an authorized officer of the Successor Agency.

The Escrow Bank may conclusively rely and shall be fully protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, approval or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties. The Escrow Bank may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents, attorneys, custodians or nominees appointed with due care, and shall not be responsible for any willful misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent, attorney, custodian or nominee so appointed.

Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, in no event shall the Escrow Bank be liable for special, indirect, punitive or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to lost profits), even if the Escrow Bank has been advised of the likelihood of such loss or damage and regardless of the form of action. The Escrow Bank shall not be liable to the parties hereto or deemed in breach or default hereunder if and to the extent its performance hereunder is prevented by reason of force majeure. The term "force majeure" means an occurrence that is beyond the control of the Escrow Bank and could not have been avoided by exercising due care. Force majeure shall include acts of God, terrorism, war, riots, strikes, fire, floods, earthquakes, epidemics or other similar occurrences.

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unenforceability of such section, paragraph, sentence, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Agreement.

- Section 11. <u>Execution of Counterparts; Electronic Delivery of Signatures</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original and all of which shall together constitute but one and the same instrument. Signatures appearing on any counterpart of this Agreement may be delivered by facsimile transmission or by electronic delivery in PDF format, which transmission or delivery shall be deemed delivery of an originally executed document.
- Section 12. <u>Applicable Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.
- Section 13. <u>Definitions</u>. Any capitalized term used but not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Prior Indenture.
- Section 14. <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall not be assigned by the Escrow Bank or any successor thereto without the prior written consent of the Successor Agency provided, however, that an assignment made pursuant to Section 5 hereof shall not require prior written consent.
- Section 15. <u>Holidays</u>. If the date for making any payment or the last date for performance of any act or the exercising of any right, as provided in this Agreement, shall be a legal holiday or a day on which banking institutions in which the principal office of the Escrow Bank is located are authorized by law to remain closed, such payment may be made or act performed or right exercised on the next succeeding day not a legal holiday or a day on which such banking institutions are authorized by law to remain closed, with the same force and effect as if done on the nominal date provided in this Agreement; and no interest shall accrue for the period from and after such nominal date.
- Section 16. The Successor Agency covenants and represents that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers are the target or subject of any sanctions enforced by the US Government, (including, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the US Department of the Treasury ("OFAC")), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, HM Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority (collectively "Sanctions"). The Successor Agency covenants and represents that neither it nor any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, directors or officers will use any payments made pursuant to this Agreement, (i) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any person who, at the time of such funding or facilitation,, is the subject or target of Sanctions, (ii) to fund or facilitate any activities of or business with any country or territory that is the target or subject of Sanctions, or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation of Sanctions by any person.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. have caused this Agreement to be executed each on its behalf as of the day and year first above written.

THE BANK OF I COMPANY, N.A.,		 TRUST
By: Authorized O	fficer	
SUCCESSOR AC REDEVELOPMEN VERNON	221101 01	 011111211
By:Executive Dir	ector	

### **SCHEDULE A**

# REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON INDUSTRIAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT TAX ALLOCATION BONDS, SERIES 2011 (FEDERALLY TAXABLE)

Maturity Date	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	CUSIP
9/1/2030	\$8,130,000	9.250%	924402AZ3

Notice is hereby given to the owners of the above-captioned and listed bonds (collectively, the "Refunded Bonds") that:

The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Agency") has deposited in an Escrow Fund with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Escrow Bank, certain monies as permitted by that Indenture of Trust dated as of October 1, 2005, as supplemented by a First Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 1, 2011 (collectively, the "Indenture"), each by and between The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee") and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon, pursuant to which the Refunded Bonds were issued, for the purpose of defeasing the Refunded Bonds. The moneys deposited with the Escrow Bank will be sufficient to redeem the Refunded Bonds on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof and accrued interest thereon, without premium (the "Redemption Price").

The Refunded Bonds are deemed to be paid in accordance with Section 10.01 of the Indenture and all liability of the Successor Agency under the Indenture has ceased and been discharged except as provided in the Indenture. All obligations of the Successor Agency under the Continuing Disclosure Agreement Dated as of March 1, 2011 with respect to the Refunded Bonds have ceased, terminated and become void and have been discharged and satisfied.

The Successor Agency and the Trustee shall not be responsible for the selection or use of the CUSIP numbers selected, nor is any representation made as to their correctness indicated in the notice or as printed on any Refunded Bond. They are included for the convenience of the holders.

Dated:, 2022	THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST
	COMPANY, N.A.,
	as Escrow Bank

### SCHEDULE B

### CONDITIONAL NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

# REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON INDUSTRIAL REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT TAX ALLOCATION BONDS, SERIES 2011 (FEDERALLY TAXABLE)

BASE CUSIP NO. 924402

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the owners of the above-captioned \$19,490,000 initial aggregate principal amount Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon, Industrial Redevelopment Project, Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2011 (Federally Taxable) that are listed below (the "Bonds") pursuant to the Indenture of Trust as supplemented by a First Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 1, 2011 (collectively, the "Indenture"), each by and between The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee"), that the Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$8,130,000 have been called for redemption on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Redemption Date").

Maturity Date	Principal Amount	Interest Rate	CUSIP
9/1/2030	\$8,130,000	9.250%	924402AZ3

The Bonds will be payable on the Redemption Date at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount plus accrued interest to such date, without premium (the "Redemption Price"). Interest with respect to the Bonds to be redeemed will cease to accrue on and after the Redemption Date, and such Bonds will be surrendered to the Trustee.

All Bonds are required to be surrendered to the corporate office of the Trustee, on the Redemption Date at the following location. If payment is to be made to a person other than the Owner, the Bonds shall be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer duly executed by the Owner thereof or by his attorney duly authorized in writing. If the Bonds are mailed, the use of registered, insured mail is recommended:

BNY Mellon Corp Trust Attention: Transfers/Redemption 2001 Bryan Street 10th Floor Dallas, TX 75201

Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon By: The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.

as Escrow Bank and Trustee Bondholder Communications: 800-254-2826

If the Owner of any Bond subject to optional redemption fails to deliver such Bond to the Trustee on the Redemption Date, such Bond shall nevertheless be deemed redeemed on the Redemption Date and the Owner of such Bond shall have no rights in respect thereof except to receive payment of the Redemption Price from funds held by the Trustee for such payment.

Redemption of the Bonds is conditional upon the receipt by the Trustee on or prior to the Redemption Date of moneys sufficient to pay the principal of and interest with respect to such Bonds to be redeemed and, if such moneys have not been so received, this notice shall be of no force and effect and the Trustee shall not be required to redeem such Bonds. Any Bonds delivered for redemption shall be returned to the respective Owners thereof and said Bonds shall remain outstanding as though this conditional notice of redemption had not been given.

A form W-9 must be submitted with the Bonds. Failure to provide a completed form W-9, or certify the proper tax identification number will result in backup withholding under Section 3406 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon and the Trustee shall not be responsible for the selection or use of the CUSIP numbers selected, nor is any representation made as to their correctness indicated in the notice or as printed on any Bond. They are included for the convenience of the holders

			THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A., as Trustee
DATED this	day of	, 2022.	

## SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER DEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON

### TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2022A

TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2022B (FEDERALLY TAXABLE)

### BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

\_\_\_\_, 2022

Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon c/o City of Vernon 4305 South Santa Fe Avenue Vernon, CA 90058

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc. (the "Underwriter") offers to enter into this Bond Purchase Agreement (this "Purchase Agreement") with the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Successor Agency"), which, upon the acceptance by the Successor Agency, will be binding upon the Successor Agency and the Underwriter. This offer is made subject to acceptance by the Successor Agency by the execution of this Purchase Agreement and delivery of the same to the Underwriter prior to 11:59 P.M., California time, on the date hereof, and, if not so accepted, will be subject to withdrawal by the Underwriter upon notice delivered to the Successor Agency at any time prior to the acceptance hereof by the Successor Agency. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture (defined herein).

The Successor Agency acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the purchase and sale of the Bonds pursuant to this Purchase Agreement is an arm's length commercial transaction between the Successor Agency and the Underwriter; (ii) in connection with such transaction, the Underwriter is acting solely as principal and not as agent or fiduciary of the Successor Agency; (iii) the Underwriter has not assumed (individually or collectively) a fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Successor Agency with respect to the offering contemplated hereby or the discussions, undertakings and procedures leading thereto (irrespective of whether the Underwriter has provided other services or is currently providing other services to the Successor Agency on other matters); and (iv) the Successor Agency has consulted with its own legal and financial advisors to the extent it has deemed appropriate.

**Section 1. Purchase and Sale.** Upon the terms and conditions and on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements herein set forth, the Underwriter hereby agrees to purchase from the Successor Agency, and the Successor Agency hereby agrees to issue, sell and deliver to the Underwriter all (but not less than all) of the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022A (the "2022A Bonds") in the aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment

Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022B (Federally Taxable)
(the "2022B Bonds" and, together with the 2022A Bonds, the "Bonds") in the aggregate principal
amount of \$ The Bonds shall be dated as of their date of delivery. Interest on the Bonds
shall be payable semiannually on March 1 and September 1 in each year, commencing1,
20_ (each an "Interest Payment Date") and will bear interest at the rates and on the dates as set forth
in Exhibit A hereto. The purchase price for the 2022A Bonds shall be \$ (which represents
the principal amount of the Bonds in the amount of \$, [plus/less] an original issue
[premium/discount] of \$ and less an Underwriter's discount of \$ The purchase
price for the 2022B Bonds shall be \$ (which represents the principal amount of the Bonds in
the amount of \$, less an Underwriter's discount of \$

The Successor Agency acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the purchase and sale of the Bonds pursuant to this Purchase Agreement is an arm's-length commercial transaction between the Successor Agency and the Underwriter; (ii) in connection therewith and with the discussions, undertakings and procedures leading up to the consummation of such transaction, the Underwriter is and has been acting solely as a principal and is not acting as a municipal advisor (as defined in section 15B of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended), financial advisor or fiduciary; (iii) the Underwriter has not assumed an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Successor Agency with respect to the offering contemplated hereby or the discussions, undertakings and procedures leading thereto (irrespective of whether the Underwriter has provided other services or is currently providing other services to the Successor Agency on other matters); (iv) the only obligations the Underwriter has to the Successor Agency with respect to the transaction contemplated hereby expressly are set forth in this Purchase Agreement; and (v) the Successor Agency has consulted its own financial and/or municipal, legal, accounting, tax, financial and other advisors, as applicable, to the extent it has deemed appropriate.

Section 2. The Bonds and Related Documents. The Bonds shall be issued and secured under the provisions of an Indenture of Trust dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_1, 2022 (the "Indenture") by and between the Successor Agency and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Trustee"), and pursuant to Part 1 and Part 1.85 of Division 24 of the California Health and Safety Code (the "Law") and Article 11 of Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the California Government Code (the "Act") and a resolution of the Successor Agency adopted on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Agency Resolution"). The issuance of the Bonds was approved by the Los Angeles County First Supervisorial District Consolidated Oversight Board (the "Oversight Board") by resolution on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Oversight Board Resolution"). The Bonds shall be as described in the Indenture and the Official Statement dated the date hereof relating to the Bonds (which, together with all exhibits and appendices included therein or attached thereto and such amendments or supplements thereto which shall be approved by the Underwriter, is hereinafter called the "Official Statement").

[A municipal bond insurance policy (the "Insurance Policy") and a debt reserve surety bond for the Bonds (the "Surety Bond") shall be purchased from \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Insurer").]

A portion of the net proceeds of the 2022A Bonds will be used to refund the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2005 (the "2005 Bonds"). A portions of the net proceeds of the 2022B Bonds will be used to refund the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Industrial Redevelopment Project Tax Allocation Bonds Series 2011 (Federally Taxable) (the "2011 Bonds" and, together with the 2005 Bonds, the "Refunded Bonds"). The Bonds shall be secured by a first pledge of, security interest in, and lien on all of the Pledged Tax Revenues (as defined in the Indenture).

The Successor Agency will undertake pursuant to the provisions of a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, to be dated the date of the Closing (the "Continuing Disclosure Agreement") by and between the Successor Agency and the Trustee as Dissemination Agent, to provide certain annual information and notices of the occurrence of certain events. A description of the undertaking is set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement (as defined below) and will also be set forth in the Official Statement.

The Indenture, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement, this Purchase Agreement, as well as an Escrow Agreement (2005 Bonds) (the "2005 Bonds Escrow Agreement") and an Escrow Agreement (2011 Bonds) (the "2011 Bonds Escrow Agreement" and, together with the 2005 Bonds Escrow Agreement, the "Escrow Agreements"), each by and between the Successor Agency and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Escrow Bank (the "Escrow Bank"), are sometimes collectively referred to herein as the "Successor Agency Legal Documents."

### Section 3. Public Offering and Establishment of Issue Price.

- (a) It shall be a condition to the Successor Agency's obligations to sell and to deliver the Bonds to the Underwriter and to the Underwriter's obligations to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds that the entire \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall be issued, sold and delivered by the Successor Agency and purchased, accepted and paid for by the Underwriter at the Closing. The Underwriter agrees to make a bona fide public offering of all of the Bonds at the initial public offering prices or yields set forth in Exhibit A hereto and on the inside front cover page of the Official Statement. The Underwriter reserves the right to change, subsequent to the initial public offering, such initial offering prices as it shall deem necessary in connection with the marketing of the Bonds.
- (b) The Underwriter agrees to assist the Successor Agency in establishing the issue price of the 2022A Bonds and shall execute and deliver to the Successor Agency at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto as <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a>, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the Underwriter, the Successor Agency and Bond Counsel, to accurately reflect, as applicable, the sales price or prices or the initial offering price or prices to the public of the 2022A Bonds.
- Agency will treat the first price at which 10% of each maturity of the 2022A Bonds (the "10% test") is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity. At or promptly after the execution of this Purchase Agreement, the Underwriter shall report to the Successor Agency the price or prices at which it has sold to the public each maturity of Bonds. If at that time the 10% test has not been satisfied as to any maturity of the 2022A Bonds, the Underwriter agrees to promptly report to the Successor Agency the prices at which it sells the unsold Bonds of that maturity to the public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the Closing has occurred, until either (i) the Underwriter has sold all Bonds of that maturity or (ii) the 10% test has been satisfied as to the 2022A Bonds of that maturity, provided that the Underwriter's reporting obligation after the date of the Closing may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Successor Agency or Bond Counsel. For purposes of this Section, if Bonds mature on the same date but have different interest rates, each separate CUSIP number within that maturity will be treated as a separate maturity of the 2022A Bonds.

- (d) The Underwriter confirms that it has offered the 2022A Bonds to the public on or before the date of this Purchase Agreement at the offering price or prices (the "initial offering price"), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, except as otherwise set forth therein. Exhibit A also sets forth, as of the date of this Purchase Agreement, the maturities, if any, of the 2022A Bonds for which the 10% test has not been satisfied and for which the Successor Agency and the Underwriter agree that the restrictions set forth in the next sentence shall apply, which will allow the Successor Agency to treat the initial offering price to the public of each such maturity as of the sale date as the issue price of that maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"). So long as the hold-the-offering-price rule remains applicable to any maturity of the 2022A Bonds, the Underwriter will neither offer nor sell unsold Bonds of that maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following:
  - (1) the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date; or
  - (2) the date on which the Underwriter has sold at least 10% of that maturity of the 2022A Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

The Underwriter will advise the Successor Agency promptly after the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date whether it has sold 10% of that maturity of the 2022A Bonds to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

- The Underwriter confirms that any selling group agreement and any retail distribution agreement relating to the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each dealer who is a member of the selling group and each broker-dealer that is a party to such retail distribution agreement, as applicable, to: (1) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Bonds of each maturity allotted to it until it is notified by the Underwriter that either the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Bonds of that maturity or all Bonds of that maturity have been sold to the public; and (2) comply with the hold-the-offeringprice rule, if applicable, in each case if and for so long as directed by the Underwriter. The Successor Agency acknowledges that, in making the representation set forth in this subsection, the Underwriter will rely on: (A) in the event that a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires; and (B) in the event that a retail distribution agreement was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Bonds to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, as set forth in the retail distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The Successor Agency further acknowledges that the Underwriter shall not be liable for the failure of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a retail distribution agreement, to comply with its corresponding agreement regarding the hold-the-offering-price rule as applicable to the Bonds.
- (f) The Underwriter acknowledges that sales of any Bonds to any person that is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the 2022A Bonds to the public (each such term being used as defined below) shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this section. Further, for purposes of this section:
  - (1) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party,

- (2) "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Successor Agency (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the 2022A Bonds to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the 2022A Bonds to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the 2022A Bonds to the public),
- (3) a purchaser of any of the 2022A Bonds is a "**related party**" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (A) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (B) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (C) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and
- (4) "**sale date**" means the date of execution of this Purchase Agreement by all parties.
- **The Official Statement**. The Successor Agency has caused to be prepared and Section 4. delivered to the Underwriter prior to the execution of this Purchase Agreement copies of the Preliminary Official Statement dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022, relating to the Bonds (the "Preliminary Official Statement"), which was approved by a resolution of the Successor Agency (the "Successor Agency **OS Resolution**"). The Successor Agency ratifies, confirms and approves the use by the Underwriter prior to the date hereof of the Preliminary Official Statement. The Successor Agency has previously deemed the Preliminary Official Statement to be final as of its date for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Rule 15c2-12"), except for information permitted to be omitted therefrom by Rule 15c2-12. The Successor Agency hereby agrees to deliver or cause to be delivered to the Underwriter, within seven (7) business days of the date hereof, but not less than one (1) business day prior to Closing a sufficient number of copies of the final Official Statement relating to the Bonds, dated the date hereof, which includes all information permitted to be omitted by Rule 15c2-12 and any amendments or supplements to such Official Statement as have been approved by the Successor Agency and the Underwriter to enable the Underwriter to distribute a single copy of each Official Statement to any potential customer of the Underwriter requesting an Official Statement during the time period beginning when the Official Statement becomes available and ending 25 days after the End of the Underwriting Period (defined below). The Successor Agency hereby approves of the use and distribution (including the electronic distribution) by the Underwriter of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement in connection with the offer and sale of the Bonds. The Underwriter agrees that it will not confirm the sale of any Bonds unless the confirmation of sale is accompanied or preceded by the delivery of a copy of the Official Statement.
- Section 5. Representations, Warranties and Agreements of the Successor Agency. The Successor Agency hereby represents, warrants and agrees as follows:
- (a) The Successor Agency is a public entity existing under the laws of the State of California, including the Law.

- (b) The Successor Agency has full legal right, power and authority to enter into the Successor Agency Legal Documents and carry out and consummate the transactions contemplated by the Successor Agency Legal Documents.
- (c) By all necessary official action of the Successor Agency prior to or concurrently with the acceptance hereof, the Successor Agency has duly authorized and approved the preparation and use of the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement, the execution and delivery of the Official Statement and the Successor Agency Legal Documents, and the performance by the Successor Agency of all transactions contemplated by the Successor Agency Legal Documents; and the Successor Agency Legal Documents will constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of the Successor Agency, enforceable in accordance with their respective terms, except as enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws or equitable principles relating to or limiting creditors' rights generally.
- (d) The Successor Agency is not in any material respect in breach of or default under any applicable constitutional provision, law or administrative regulation to which it is subject or any applicable judgment or decree or any loan agreement, indenture, bond, note, resolution, agreement (including, without limitation, the Indenture) or other instrument to which the Successor Agency is a party or to which the Successor Agency or any of its property or assets is otherwise subject, and no event has occurred and is continuing which with the passage of time or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute such a default or event of default under any such instrument; and the execution and delivery of the Successor Agency Legal Documents, and compliance with the provisions on the Successor Agency's part contained therein, will not conflict with or constitute a material breach of or a material default under any constitutional provision, law, administrative regulation, judgment, decree, loan agreement, indenture, bond, note, resolution, agreement or other instrument to which the Successor Agency is a party or to which the Successor Agency or any of its property or assets is otherwise subject, nor will any such execution, delivery, adoption or compliance result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or other security interest or encumbrance of any nature whatsoever upon any of the property or assets of the Successor Agency or under the terms of any such constitutional provision, law, regulation or instrument, except as provided by the Indenture.
- (e) Except as described in or contemplated by the Official Statement, all authorizations, approvals, licenses, permits, consents and orders of any governmental authority, board, agency or commission having jurisdiction of the matter which are required for the due authorization by, or which would constitute a condition precedent to or the absence of which would materially adversely affect the due performance by, the Successor Agency of its obligations under the Successor Agency Legal Documents have been duly obtained.
- (f) Except as otherwise disclosed in the Official Statement, between the date of this Purchase Agreement and the date of the Closing, the Successor Agency will not, without the prior written consent of the Underwriter, offer or issue any bonds, notes or other obligations for borrowed money, or incur any material liabilities, direct or contingent, payable from Pledged Tax Revenues (as defined in the Indenture), nor will there be any adverse change of a material nature in the financial position, results of operations or condition, financial or otherwise, of the Successor Agency.
- (g) To the best knowledge of the officer of the Successor Agency executing this Purchase Agreement, after due inquiry, as of the date hereof, there is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, at law or in equity before or by any court, government agency, public board or body, pending or threatened against the Successor Agency, affecting the existence of the Successor

Agency or the titles of its officers to their respective offices, or affecting or seeking to prohibit, restrain or enjoin the issuance of the Bonds, the execution and delivery of the Indenture, or the collection of the Pledged Tax Revenues or contesting or affecting, as to the Successor Agency, the validity or enforceability of the Successor Agency Legal Documents, or contesting the completeness or accuracy of the Preliminary Official Statement or the Official Statement, or contesting the powers of the Successor Agency, or in any way contesting or challenging the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, or which might result in a material adverse change in the financial condition of the Successor Agency or which might materially adversely affect the Pledged Tax Revenues of the Successor Agency; nor, to the best knowledge of the Successor Agency, is there any known basis for any such action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation, wherein an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding would materially adversely affect the validity of the authorization, execution, delivery or performance by the Successor Agency of the Successor Agency Legal Documents.

- (h) As of the time of acceptance hereof and as of the date of the Closing, the Successor Agency does not and will not have outstanding any indebtedness which indebtedness is secured by a lien on the Pledged Tax Revenues of the Successor Agency superior to or on a parity with the lien provided for in the Indenture on the Pledged Tax Revenues, other than as disclosed in the Official Statement.
- (i) As of the time of acceptance hereof and as of the date of the Closing, the Successor Agency has complied with the filing requirements of the Law, including, without limitation, the filing of all Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules, as required by the Law.
- (j) As of the date thereof, the Preliminary Official Statement did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (except that this representation does not include information relating to The Depository Trust Company or the bookentry only system, the Insurer, the Insurance Policy or the Surety Bond).
- (k) As of the date thereof and at all times subsequent thereto to and including the date which is 25 days following the End of the Underwriting Period (as such term is hereinafter defined) for the Bonds, the Official Statement did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading (except that this representation does not include information relating to The Depository Trust Company or the book-entry only system).
- (1) If between the date hereof and the date which is 25 days after the End of the Underwriting Period for the Bonds, an event occurs which would cause the information contained in the Official Statement, as then supplemented or amended, to contain an untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make such information herein, in the light of the circumstances under which it was presented, not misleading, the Successor Agency will notify the Underwriter, and, if in the opinion of the Underwriter or the Successor Agency, or their respective counsel, such event requires the preparation and publication of a supplement or amendment to the Official Statement, the Successor Agency will cooperate in the preparation of an amendment or supplement to the Official Statement in a form and manner approved by the Underwriter, and shall pay all expenses thereby incurred. For the purposes of this subsection, between the date hereof and the date which is 25 days of the End of the Underwriting Period for the Bonds, the Successor Agency will furnish such information with respect to itself as the Underwriter

may from time to time reasonably request. As used herein, the term "End of the Underwriting Period" means the later of such time as: (i) the Successor Agency delivers the Bonds to the Underwriter; or (ii) the Underwriter does not retain, directly or as members of an underwriting syndicate, an unsold balance of the Bonds for sale to the public. Notwithstanding the foregoing, unless the Underwriter gives notice to the contrary, the "End of the Underwriting Period" shall be the date of Closing.

- (m) The Successor Agency will advise the Underwriter promptly of any proposal to amend or supplement the Official Statement and will not effect or consent to any such amendment or supplement without the consent of the Underwriter, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld. The Successor Agency will advise the Underwriter promptly of the institution of any proceedings known to it by any governmental authority prohibiting or otherwise affecting the use of the Official Statement in connection with the offering, sale or distribution of the Bonds
- (n) Any certificate signed by any officer of the Successor Agency and delivered to the Underwriter shall be deemed a representation by the Successor Agency to the Underwriter as to the statements made therein.
- (o) The Successor Agency will apply the proceeds from the sale of the Bonds for the purposes specified in the Official Statement.
- (p) The Successor Agency will furnish such information, execute such instruments and take such other action in cooperation with the Underwriter, at the expense of the Underwriter, as it may reasonably request in order to qualify the Bonds for offer and sale under the "blue sky" or other securities laws and regulations of such states and other jurisdictions of the United States of America as the Underwriter may designate; provided, however, that the Successor Agency will not be required to execute a special or general consent to service of process or qualify as a foreign corporation in connection with any such qualification in any jurisdiction.
- (q) Except as disclosed in the Official Statement, the Successor Agency has not defaulted in any material respect under any prior continuing disclosure undertaking within the previous five years.
- (r) The Oversight Board has duly adopted the Oversight Board Resolution approving the issuance of the Bonds and no further Oversight Board approval or consent is required for the issuance of the Bonds or the consummation of the transactions described in the Preliminary Official Statement.
- (s) The Department of Finance of the State (the "**Department of Finance**") has issued a letter, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "**DOF Letter**"), approving the issuance of the bonds. No further Department of Finance approval or consent is required for the issuance of the Bonds or the consummation of the transactions described in the Preliminary Official Statement. Except as disclosed in the Preliminary Official Statement, the Successor Agency is not aware of the Department of Finance directing or having any basis to direct the County Auditor-Controller to deduct unpaid unencumbered funds from future allocations of property tax to the Successor Agency pursuant to Section 34183 of the Dissolution Act.
- **Section 6.** Closing. At 8:30 A.M., California time, on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022 (the "Closing" or the "Closing Date"), or on such other date as may be mutually agreed upon by the Successor Agency and

the Underwriter, the Successor Agency will, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, sell and deliver the Bonds to the Underwriter, duly executed and authenticated, together with the other documents hereinafter mentioned, and, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the Underwriter will accept such delivery and pay the purchase price of the Bonds as set forth in Section 1 hereof in federal funds. Sale, delivery and payment as aforesaid shall be made at the offices of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, A Professional Corporation, Newport Beach, California ("Bond Counsel"), or such other place as shall have been mutually agreed upon by the Successor Agency and the Underwriter, except that the Bonds (with one certificate for each maturity and otherwise in a form suitable for the book-entry system) shall be delivered to the Underwriter in New York, New York, through the book-entry system of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). Unless the DTC Fast Automated Securities Transfer ("FAST") is utilized, the Bonds will be made available for inspection by DTC at least one business day prior to the Closing.

- Section 7. Closing Conditions. The Underwriter has entered into this Purchase Agreement in reliance upon the representations and warranties of the Successor Agency contained herein, and in reliance upon the representations and warranties to be contained in the documents and instruments to be delivered at the Closing and upon the performance by the Successor Agency of its obligations hereunder, both as of the date hereof and as of the date of the Closing. Accordingly, the Underwriter's obligations under this Purchase Agreement to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds shall be conditioned upon the performance by the Successor Agency of its obligations to be performed hereunder and under such documents and instruments at or prior to the Closing, and shall also be subject to the following additional conditions:
- (a) The Underwriter shall receive, within seven (7) business days of the date hereof, but in no event less than 1 business day prior to Closing, copies of the Official Statement (including all information previously permitted to have been omitted from the Preliminary Official Statement by Rule 15c2-12 and any amendments or supplements as have been approved by the Underwriter), in such reasonable quantity as the Underwriter shall have requested;
- (b) The representations and warranties of the Successor Agency contained herein shall be true, complete and correct on the date hereof and on and as of the date of the Closing, as if made on the date of the Closing and the statements of the officers and other officials of the Successor Agency and the Trustee made in any certificate or other document furnished pursuant to the provisions hereof are accurate;
- (c) At the time of the Closing, the Successor Agency Legal Documents shall have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the respective parties thereto, and the Official Statement shall have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Successor Agency, all in substantially the forms heretofore submitted to the Underwriter, with only such changes as shall have been agreed to in writing by the Underwriter, and shall be in full force and effect; and there shall be in full force and effect such resolution or resolutions of the governing body of the Successor Agency as, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, shall be necessary or appropriate in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby;
- (d) At the time of the Closing, all necessary official action of the Successor Agency relating to the Official Statement and the Successor Agency Legal Documents shall have been taken and shall be in full force and effect and shall not have been amended, modified or supplemented in any material respect; and

- (e) At or prior to the Closing, the Underwriter shall have received copies of each of the following documents:
  - (1) <u>Bond Counsel Opinion</u>. The approving opinion of Bond Counsel, dated the date of the Closing and substantially in the form included as Appendix C to the Official Statement.
  - (2) <u>Supplemental Opinion of Bond Counsel</u>. A supplemental opinion or opinions of Bond Counsel addressed to the Underwriter, in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter, and dated the date of the Closing that the Underwriter may rely on the opinion of Bond Counsel described in paragraph (1) above as if such opinion were addressed to the Underwriter and to the following effect:
  - (i) the Purchase Agreement, the Continuing Disclosure Agreement and the Escrow Agreements have been duly executed and delivered by the Successor Agency and (assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by and validity against the other parties thereto, as applicable) constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Successor Agency, except as enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws affecting enforcement of creditors' rights and by the application of equitable principles;
  - (ii) the statements contained in the Official Statement under the captions "INTRODUCTION," "REFUNDING PLAN," "THE 2022 BONDS," "SECURITY FOR THE 2022 BONDS," "TAX MATTERS" and in Appendices B and C insofar as such statements purport to describe certain provisions of the Indenture, or to state legal conclusions and the opinion of Bond Counsel regarding the Bonds, present a fair and accurate summary of the provisions thereof; and
  - (iii) the Bonds are not subject to the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Indenture is exempt from qualification pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended.
  - (3) <u>Successor Agency Counsel Opinion</u>. An opinion of Counsel to the Successor Agency, dated the date of the Closing and addressed to the Underwriter, in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter to the following effect:
  - (i) the Successor Agency is a public body, duly existing under the Constitution and laws of the State, with full right, power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under the Successor Agency Legal Documents;
  - (ii) the Successor Agency Resolution and the Successor Agency OS Resolution were duly adopted at meetings of the Successor Agency, called and held pursuant to law, with all public notice required by law and at which quorums were present and acting throughout; and the Successor Agency Resolution and the Successor Agency OS Resolution are in full force and effect and have not been modified amended or rescinded since their respective adoption date;
  - (iii) The Successor Agency Legal Documents have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Successor Agency and, assuming due authorization,

execution and delivery by the other parties thereto, the Successor Agency Legal Documents constitute the valid, legal and binding obligations of the Successor Agency enforceable in accordance with their respective terms, except as enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws affecting enforcement of creditors rights and by the application of equitable principles if equitable remedies are sought. The preparation, delivery and execution of the Official Statement has been duly authorized by the Successor Agency;

- (iv) The execution and delivery of the Successor Agency Legal Documents and the Official Statement and compliance with the provisions of the Successor Agency Legal Documents, under the circumstances contemplated thereby, (1) do not and will not in any material respect conflict with or constitute on the part of the Successor Agency a breach of or default under any agreement or other instrument to which the Successor Agency is a party or by which it is bound, and (2) do not and will not in any material respect constitute on the part of the Successor Agency a violation, breach of or default under any existing law, regulation, court order or consent decree to which the Successor Agency is subject;
- (v) Except as otherwise disclosed in the Official Statement, there is no litigation or proceeding, pending and served, or to the best of such counsel's knowledge threatened, challenging the creation, organization or existence of the Successor Agency, or the validity of the Bonds or the Successor Agency Legal Documents or seeking to restrain or enjoin any of the transactions referred to therein or contemplated thereby, or under which a determination adverse to the Successor Agency would have a material adverse effect upon the financial condition or the revenues of the Successor Agency, or which, in any manner, questions the right of the Successor Agency to issue, sell and deliver the Bonds, to enter into the Indenture or to use the Pledged Tax Revenues for repayment of the Bonds or affects in any manner the right or ability of the Successor Agency to collect or pledge the Pledged Tax Revenues; and
- (vi) No facts have come to the attention of such counsel which would lead us to believe that the information contained in the Official Statement under the captions ["PROPERTY TAXATION IN CALIFORNIA," "THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY," "THE PROJECT AREA," and "CONCLUDING INFORMATION Litigation" (other than financial or statistical data therein, as to which no view is expressed) contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (4) <u>Trustee and Escrow Bank Counsel Opinion</u>. The opinion of counsel to the Trustee and the Escrow Bank (sometimes referred to herein as "**BNY**"), dated the date of the Closing, addressed to the Underwriter, to the effect that:
- (i) BNY is a national banking association, duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the United States of America, having full power to enter into, accept and administer the trusts created under the Indenture and the Escrow Agreements;
- (ii) The Indenture and the Escrow Agreements have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by BNY and the Indenture and the Escrow Agreements constitute the legal, valid and binding obligations of BNY, enforceable in accordance with their terms, except as enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws

affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and by the application of equitable principles, if equitable remedies are sought; and

- (iii) Except as may be required under Blue Sky or other securities laws of any state, no consent, approval, authorization or other action by any governmental or regulatory authority having jurisdiction over BNY that has not been obtained is or will be required for the execution and delivery of the Indenture or the Escrow Agreements, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Indenture and the Escrow Agreements.
- (5) <u>Successor Agency Certificate</u>. A certificate of the Successor Agency, dated the date of the Closing, signed on behalf of the Successor Agency by a duly authorized officer of the Successor Agency, to the effect that:
- (i) the representations and warranties of the Successor Agency contained herein are true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of the Closing as if made on the date of the Closing;
- (ii) no event affecting the Successor Agency has occurred since the date of the Official Statement which has not been disclosed therein or in any supplement or amendment thereto which event should be disclosed in the Official Statement in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and
- (iii) No further consent is required to be obtained for the inclusion of the Successor Agency's audited financial statements, including the accompanying accountant's letter, for Fiscal Year 2020-21 in the Official Statement.
- (6) <u>Trustee and Escrow Bank Certificate</u>. A certificate, dated the date of Closing, to the effect that:
- (i) BNY is a national banking association duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the United States of America;
- (ii) BNY has full power, authority and legal right to comply with the terms of the Indenture and the Escrow Agreements and to perform its obligations stated therein; and
- (iii) the Indenture and the Escrow Agreements have been duly authorized, executed and delivered by BNY and (assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Successor Agency) constitute legal, valid and binding obligations of BNY in accordance with their respective terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws or equitable principles relating to or limiting creditors' rights generally.
- (7) <u>Legal Documents</u>. Executed copies of this Purchase Agreement and the other Successor Agency Legal Documents.
- (8) <u>Rating Letters</u>. Evidence satisfactory to the Underwriter that the Bonds shall have received an underlying rating of "\_\_\_\_" from [S&P Global Ratings, a

Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business ("S&P")], and an insured rating of "\_\_\_\_" from [S&P], and that such ratings shall be in effect as of the Closing Date.

- Disclosure Letter. A letter of Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, A Professional Corporation, Newport Beach, California ("Disclosure Counsel"), dated the date of the Closing, addressed to the Successor Agency and the Underwriter, to the effect that, based upon its participation in the preparation of the Official Statement and without having undertaken to determine independently the fairness, accuracy or completeness of the statements contained in the Official Statement, such counsel has no reason to believe that, as of its date and as of the Closing Date, the Official Statement (excluding therefrom any information relating to the Insurer, the Insurance Policy, the Surety Bond, DTC and its bookentry system included therein, and projections, forecasts, statistical information, and financial information, and any information therein under the caption "CONCLUDING INFORMATION—Underwriting" and the information included in the appendices thereto, as to which no opinion need be expressed) contains any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- Cone (the "Fiscal Consultant") to the effect that the report of the Fiscal Consultant (the "Report") contained in the Official Statement and the information set forth under the captions ["THE PROJECT AREA"] in the Official Statement do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, consenting to the use of the Report in the Preliminary and Official Statement and stating that to the best of the Fiscal Consultant's knowledge, nothing has to come the Fiscal Consultant's attention between the date of such Report and the Closing Date which would materially alter any of the conclusions set forth in the Report.
- (11) <u>Oversight Board Resolution</u>. A copy of the adopted Oversight Board Resolution, together with a copy of the DOF Letter.
- (12) Oversight Board Certificate. A certificate of the Clerk of the Oversight Board to the effect that the Oversight Board Resolution was validly adopted, remains in full force and effect, and has not been amended, rescinded or otherwise modified since its date of adoption.
- (13) <u>Underwriter's Counsel Opinion</u>. An opinion of \_\_\_\_\_\_, dated the date of closing, in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter.
- (14) <u>Verification</u>. A verification report prepared by \_\_\_\_\_\_, in form and substance satisfactory to Bond Counsel and the Underwriter.
- (15) <u>Defeasance Opinion</u>. An opinion or opinions of Bond Counsel, dated the Closing Date, to the effect that the Refunded Bonds are no longer outstanding
- (16) <u>Insurance Policy</u>. The executed Insurance Policy issued by the Insurer, in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter.

- (17) <u>Surety Bond</u>. The executed Surety Bond issued by the Insurer in form and substance acceptable to the Underwriter.
- (18) <u>Insurer Counsel Opinion</u>. An opinion of counsel to the Insurer as to the enforceability of its Insurance Policy and the Surety Bond, in form and substance satisfactory to Bond Counsel and the Underwriter.
- (19) <u>Insurer Certificate</u>. A certificate, dated the date of Closing, of the Insurer, relating to the Insurance Policy and the Surety Bond, in form and substance satisfactory to Bond Counsel and the Underwriter.
- (20) <u>Additional Documents</u>. Such additional certificates, instruments and other documents as Bond Counsel, the Successor Agency or the Underwriter may reasonably deem necessary.

All the opinions, letters, certificates, instruments and other documents mentioned above or elsewhere in this Purchase Agreement shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions hereof if, but only if, they are in form and substance satisfactory to the Underwriter.

If the Successor Agency, the Trustee or the Escrow Bank shall be unable to satisfy the conditions to the obligations of the Underwriter to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds contained in this Purchase Agreement, if the Successor Agency shall determine in good faith (and provide written notice to the Underwriter) that legislation has been introduced or proposals made by the Governor of the State which if enacted and effective would impose additional limitations or burdens on the Successor Agency by reason of the issuance of the Bonds or which purport to prohibit the issuance of the Bonds, or if the obligations of the Underwriter to purchase, to accept delivery of and to pay for the Bonds shall be terminated for any reason permitted by this Purchase Agreement, this Purchase Agreement shall terminate and the Underwriter shall be under no further obligation hereunder.

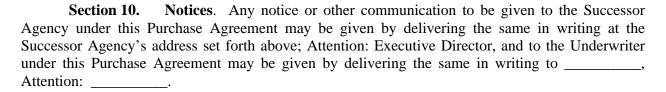
- **Section 8. Termination**. The Underwriter shall have the right to terminate this Purchase Agreement, without liability therefor, by notification to the Successor Agency if at any time between the date hereof and prior to the Closing:
- (a) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of hostilities, declaration by the United States of America of a national emergency or war or other calamity or crisis the effect of which on financial markets is materially adverse such as to make it, in the sole judgment of the Underwriter, impractical to proceed with the purchase or delivery of the Bonds as contemplated by the Official Statement (exclusive of any amendment or supplement thereto); or
- (b) a general banking moratorium shall have been declared by federal, State or New York authorities, or the general suspension of trading on any national securities exchange; or
- (c) any event shall occur which makes untrue any statement or results in an omission to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, which event, in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter would materially or adversely affect the ability of the Underwriter to market the Bonds; or

- (d) any legislation, ordinance, rule or regulation shall be introduced in, or be enacted by any governmental body, department or agency of the State, or a decision by any court of competent jurisdiction within the State shall be rendered which materially adversely affects the market price of the Bonds; or
- (e) the marketability of the Bonds or the market price thereof, in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter, has been materially adversely affected by an amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America or by any legislation in or by the Congress of the United States of America or by the State, or the amendment of legislation pending as of the date of this Purchase Agreement in the Congress of the United States of America, or the recommendation to Congress or endorsement for passage (by press release, other form of notice or otherwise) of legislation by the President of the United States of America, the Treasury Department of the United States of America, the Internal Revenue Service or the Chairman or ranking minority member of the Committee on Finance of the United States Senate or the Committee on Ways and Means of the United States House of Representatives, or the proposal for consideration of legislation by either such Committee or by any member thereof, or the presentment of legislation for consideration as an option by either such Committee, or by the staff of the Joint Committee on Taxation of the Congress of the United States of America, or the favorable reporting for passage of legislation to either House of the Congress of the United States of America by a Committee of such House to which such legislation has been referred for consideration; or
- (f) an order, decree or injunction shall have been issued by any court of competent jurisdiction, or order, ruling, regulation (final, temporary or proposed), official statement or other form of notice or communication issued or made by or on behalf of the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any other governmental agency having jurisdiction of the subject matter, to the effect that: (i) obligations of the general character of the Bonds, or the Bonds, including any or all underlying arrangements, are not exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or that the Indenture is not exempt from qualification under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939; or (ii) the issuance, offering or sale of obligations of the general character of the Bonds, or the issuance, offering or sale of the Bonds, including any or all underlying obligations, as contemplated hereby or by the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement, is or would be in violation of the federal securities laws as amended and then in effect; or
- (g) legislation shall be introduced, by amendment or otherwise, or be enacted by the House of Representatives or the Senate of the Congress of the United States of America, or a decision by a court of the United States of America shall be rendered, or a stop order, ruling, regulation or official statement by or on behalf of the Securities and Exchange Commission or other governmental agency having jurisdiction of the subject matter shall be made or proposed, to the effect that the issuance, offering or sale of obligations of the general character of the Bonds, as contemplated hereby or by the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement, is or would be in violation of any provision of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and as then in effect, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and as then in effect, or the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended and as then in effect, or with the purpose or effect of otherwise prohibiting the issuance, offering or sale of the Bonds or obligations of the general character of the Bonds, as contemplated hereby or by the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement; or
- (h) additional material restrictions not in force as of the date hereof shall have been imposed upon trading in securities generally by any governmental authority or by any national

securities exchange, which, in the Underwriter's reasonable opinion, materially adversely affects the marketability or market price of the Bonds; or

- (i) the New York Stock Exchange, or other national securities exchange or association or any governmental authority, shall impose as to the Bonds, or obligations of the general character of the Bonds, any material restrictions not now in force, or increase materially those now in force, with respect to the extension of credit by or the charge to the net capital requirements of broker dealers; or
- (j) trading in securities on the New York Stock Exchange or the American Stock Exchange shall have been suspended or limited or minimum prices have been established on either such exchange which, in the Underwriter's reasonable opinion, materially adversely affects the marketability or market price of the Bonds; or
- (k) any rating of the Bonds shall have been downgraded or withdrawn by a national rating service, which, in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter, materially adversely affects the market price of the Bonds; or
- (1) any action shall have been taken by any government in respect of its monetary affairs which, in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter, has a material adverse effect on the United States securities market, rendering the marketing and sale of the Bonds, or enforcement of sale contracts with respect thereto impracticable; or
  - (m) the commencement of any action, suit or proceeding described in Section 5(g).
- Section 9. **Expenses**. The Successor Agency will pay or cause to be paid the approved expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder and certain expenses relating to the sale of the Bonds, including, but not limited to, (a) the cost of the preparation and printing or other reproduction of the Successor Agency Legal Documents (other than this Purchase Agreement); (b) the fees and disbursements of Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel, Agency Counsel, the Municipal Advisor, Fiscal Consultant and any other experts or other consultants retained by the Successor Agency; (c) the costs and fees of the credit rating agencies; (d) the cost of preparing and delivering the definitive Bonds; (e) the cost of providing immediately available funds on the Closing Date; (f) the cost of the printing or other reproduction of the Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement and any amendment or supplement thereto, including a reasonable number of certified or conformed copies thereof; (g) the Underwriter's out-of-pocket expenses incurred with the financing; (h) the fees for a continuing disclosure undertaking compliance review; and (i) expenses (included in the expense component of the spread) incurred on behalf of the Successor Agency's employees which are incidental to implementing this Purchase Agreement including expenses incurred for the rating presentations and the investor presentation. The Underwriter will pay the expenses of the preparation of this Purchase Agreement and all other expenses incurred by the Underwriter in connection with the public offering and distribution of the Bonds, and the fee and disbursements of Underwriter's Counsel. Underwriter is required to pay the fees of the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission in connection with the offering of the Bonds. The Successor Agency acknowledges that it has had an opportunity, in consultation with such advisors as it may deem appropriate, if any, to evaluate and consider such fees. Notwithstanding that such fees are solely the legal obligation of the Underwriter, the Successor Agency agrees to reimburse the Underwriter for such fees.

The Underwriter shall pay, and the Successor Agency shall be under no obligation to pay, all expenses incurred by the Underwriter in connection with the public offering and distribution of the Bonds.



**Section 11. Parties in Interest**. This Purchase Agreement is made solely for the benefit of the Successor Agency and the Underwriter and no other person shall acquire or have any right hereunder or by virtue hereof. All of the representations, warranties and agreements of the Successor Agency contained in this Purchase Agreement shall remain operative and in full force and effect, regardless of: (i) any investigations made by or on behalf of the Underwriter; (ii) delivery of and payment for the Bonds pursuant to this Purchase Agreement; and (iii) any termination of this Purchase Agreement.

**Section 12.** Counterparts. This Purchase Agreement may be executed by the parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

Section 13. Government with the laws of the State of Co.	-	s Purchase Agreement shall be construed in accordance
		Very truly yours,
		SAMUEL A. RAMIREZ & CO., INC., as Underwriter
		By:
		Its: Authorized Officer
Accepted:		
SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF FORMER REDEVELOPMED OF THE CITY OF VERNON	NT AGENCY	
By:		
Time of Execution: p.	m. Pacific Time	

#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### MATURITY SCHEDULE

SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE
FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON
TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2022A

Maturity						Hold the
Date				Initial		Offering
(September	Principal	Interest		Offering	10% Test	Price Rule
1)	Amount	Rate	Yield	Price	Used	Used

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>T</sup> Term Bond.

#### MATURITY SCHEDULE

# SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2022B (FEDERALLY TAXABLE)

Maturity DatePrincipal(September 1)AmountInterest RateYieldPrice

#### **REDEMPTION**

Optional Redemption of 2022A Bonds. The 2022A Bonds maturing on or prior to September 1, 20\_\_ are not subject to optional redemption. The 2022A Bonds maturing on or after September 1, 20\_\_, are subject to optional redemption prior to their respective maturity dates as a whole, or in part by lot, on any date on or after September 1, 20\_\_, by such maturity or maturities as shall be directed by the Successor Agency (or in absence of such direction, pro rata by maturity and by lot within a maturity), from any source of available funds. Such optional redemption shall be at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued but unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption, without premium. Any such optional redemption of the 2022A Bonds shall be at the election of the Successor Agency, which shall give written notice thereof to the Trustee (which notice shall include the principal amount of 2022A Bonds to be optionally redeemed together with the redemption date) no later than five (5) Business Days prior to the date when the Trustee is required to give notice of such optional redemption pursuant to THE Indenture.

**Optional Redemption of 2022B Bonds**. The 2022B Bonds maturing on or prior to September 1, 20\_\_ are not subject to optional redemption. The 2022B Bonds maturing on or after September 1, 20\_\_, are subject to optional redemption prior to their respective maturity dates as a whole, or in part by lot, on any date on or after September 1, 20\_\_, by such maturity or maturities as shall be directed by the Successor Agency (or in absence of such direction, pro rata by maturity and by lot within a maturity), from any source of available funds. Such optional redemption shall be at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued but unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption, without premium. Any such optional redemption of the 2022B Bonds shall be at the election of the Successor Agency, which shall give written notice thereof to the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>T</sup> Term Bond.

Trustee (which notice shall include the principal amount of 2022B Bonds to be optionally redeemed together with the redemption date) no later than five (5) Business Days prior to the date when the Trustee is required to give notice of such optional redemption pursuant to the Indenture.

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of 2022A Bonds. The 2022A Bonds maturing September 1, 20\_\_ and September 1, \_\_ (the "2022A Term Bonds") shall also be subject to mandatory redemption in whole, or in part by lot, on September 1 in each year, commencing September 1, 20\_\_ and September 1, 20\_\_, respectively, as set forth below, from sinking fund payments made by the Successor Agency to the Principal Account pursuant to the Indenture, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, without premium, in the aggregate respective principal amounts and on September 1 in the respective years as set forth in the following tables; provided however, that (y) in lieu of redemption thereof such 2022A Term Bonds may be purchased by the Successor Agency pursuant to the Indenture if some but not all of such 2022A Term Bonds have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions described above, the total amount of all future sinking fund payments shall be reduced by the aggregate principal amount of such 2022A Term Bonds so redeemed, to be allocated among such sinking fund payments in integral multiples of \$5,000 as determined by the Successor Agency (written notice of which determination shall be given by the Successor Agency to the Trustee and shall include a revised sinking fund schedule).

**2022A Term Bonds of 20\_\_** 

September 1

Principal Amount

2022A Term Bonds of 20

September 1

Principal Amount

Mandatory Sinking Fund Redemption of 2022B Bonds. The 2022B Bonds maturing September 1, 20\_\_ and September 1, \_\_ (the "2022B Term Bonds") shall also be subject to mandatory redemption in whole, or in part by lot, on September 1 in each year, commencing September 1, 20\_\_ and September 1, 20\_\_, respectively, as set forth below, from sinking fund payments made by the Successor Agency to the Principal Account pursuant tother Indenture, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount thereof to be redeemed, without premium, in the aggregate respective principal amounts and on September 1 in the respective years as set forth in the following tables; provided however, that (y) in lieu of redemption thereof such 2022B Term Bonds may be purchased by the Successor Agency pursuant to the Indenture if some but not all of such 2022B Term Bonds have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions described above, the total amount of all future sinking fund payments shall be reduced by the aggregate principal amount of such 2022B Term Bonds

so redeemed, to be allocated among such sinking fund payments in integral multiples of \$5,000 as determined by the Successor Agency (written notice of which determination shall be given by the Successor Agency to the Trustee and shall include a revised sinking fund schedule).

2022B Term Bonds of 20\_\_

September 1

Principal Amount

2022B Term Bonds of 20\_\_

September 1

Principal Amount

#### **EXHIBIT B**

# SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON TAX ALLOCATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2022A

#### FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, on behalf of Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc. ("Ramirez") hereby certifies as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned bonds (the "Bonds").

1. **Sale of the General Rule Maturities**. As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in Schedule A.

#### 2. Initial Offering Price of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities.

- (a) Ramirez offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in Schedule A (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Bonds is attached to this certificate as Schedule B.
- (b) As set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement, dated [ ], by and between Ramirez and the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon, Ramirez has agreed in writing that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, it would neither offer nor sell any of the Bonds of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any retail distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the retail distribution agreement, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule. Pursuant to such agreement, no Underwriter (as defined below) has offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Bonds during the Holding Period.

#### 3. **Defined Terms**.

- (a) General Rule Maturities means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "General Rule Maturities."
- (b) *Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities* means those Maturities of the Bonds listed in Schedule A hereto as the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities."
- (c) Holding Period means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date (\_\_\_\_\_, 2022), or (ii) the date on which Ramirez has sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.

- (d) *Issuer* means the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon.
- (e) *Maturity* means Bonds with the same credit and payment terms. Bonds with different maturity dates, or Bonds with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
- (f) *Public* means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter. The term "related party" for purposes of this certificate generally means any two or more persons who have greater than 50 percent common ownership, directly or indirectly.
- (g) Sale Date means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Bonds. The Sale Date of the Bonds is \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2022.
- (h) *Underwriter* means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Bonds to the Public).

The representations set forth in this certificate are limited to factual matters only. Nothing in this certificate represents Ramirez's interpretation of any laws, including specifically Sections 103 and 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations thereunder. The undersigned understands that the foregoing information will be relied upon by the Issuer with respect to certain of the representations set forth in the Tax Certificate and with respect to compliance with the federal income tax rules affecting the Bonds, and by Stradling Yocca Carlson & Rauth, a Professional Corporation, in connection with rendering its opinion that the interest on the Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, the preparation of the Internal Revenue Service Form 8038-G, and other federal income tax advice that it may give to the Issuer from time to time relating to the Bonds.

		SAMUEL A. RAMIREZ & CO., INC.
		By:
		Name:
Dated:	. 2022	

#### **SCHEDULE A**

### SALE PRICES OF THE GENERAL RULE MATURITIES AND INITIAL OFFERING PRICES OF THE HOLD-THE-OFFERING-PRICE MATURITIES

(Attached)

#### **SCHEDULE B**

### PRICING WIRE OR EQUIVALENT COMMUNICATION

#### CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

This CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (the "Disclosure Agreement") is executed and delivered by and between the Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon (the "Successor Agency") and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., in its capacity as dissemination agent (the "Dissemination Agent"), in connection with the issuance of the Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022A, issued in the initial aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon Tax Allocation Refunding Bonds, Series 2022B (Federally Taxable), issued in the initial aggregate principal amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_, (collectively, the "Bonds"). The Bonds are being executed and delivered pursuant to an Indenture of Trust, dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1, 2022, by and between the Successor Agency and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (the "Indenture"):

- <u>Section 1</u>. <u>Purpose of the Disclosure Agreement</u>. This Disclosure Agreement is being executed and delivered by the parties hereto for the benefit of the holders and Beneficial Owners of the Bonds and in order to assist the Participating Underwriter in complying with the Rule.
- <u>Section 2</u>. <u>Definitions</u>. In addition to the definitions set forth in the Indenture, which apply to any capitalized terms used in this Disclosure Agreement, unless otherwise defined in this Section, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:
- "Annual Report" shall mean any Annual Report provided by the Successor Agency pursuant to, and as described in, Sections 3 and 4 of this Disclosure Agreement.
- "Annual Report Date" shall mean each April 1 after the end of the Successor Agency's fiscal year, the end of which, as of the date of this Disclosure Agreement, is June 30.
- "Beneficial Owner" shall mean any person which: (a) has the power, directly or indirectly, to vote or consent with respect to, or to dispose of ownership of, any Bonds (including persons holding Bonds through nominees, depositories or other intermediaries); or (b) is treated as the owner of any Bonds for federal income tax purposes.
- "Dissemination Agent" shall mean, initially, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., acting in its capacity as Dissemination Agent hereunder, or any successor Dissemination Agent that is so designated in writing by the Successor Agency and has filed with the then-current Dissemination Agent a written acceptance of such designation.
- "Financial Obligation" shall mean a: (A) debt obligation; (B) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (C) guarantee of (A) or (B). The term "Financial Obligation" shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board consistent with the Rule.
- "Listed Events" shall mean any of the events listed in Sections 5(a) and (b) of this Disclosure Agreement.
  - "MSRB" shall mean the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

"Official Statement" shall mean the Official Statement dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, relating to the Bonds.

"Participating Underwriter" shall mean Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc., the original underwriter of the Bonds required to comply with the Rule in connection with offering of the Bonds.

"Rule" shall mean Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as the same may be amended from time to time.

"SEC" shall mean the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### Section 3. Provision of Annual Reports.

- (a) The Successor Agency shall, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to, not later than the Annual Report Date, commencing April 1, 2023 with the Annual Report for fiscal year 2021-22, provide to the MSRB an Annual Report that is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 of this Disclosure Agreement; provided that the filing of the Official Statement with the MSRB shall constitute compliance with this obligation for the first Annual Report Date. Not later than 15 calendar days prior to such date, the Successor Agency shall provide its Annual Report to the Dissemination Agent, if such Dissemination Agent is a different entity than the Successor Agency. The Annual Report must be submitted in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, accompanied by such identifying information as is prescribed by the MSRB, and may include by reference other information as provided in Section 4 of this Disclosure Agreement; provided that any audited financial statements of the Successor Agency may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Report, and not later than the date required above for the filings of the Annual Report. If the Successor Agency's fiscal year changes, it shall give notice of such change in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(a). The Successor Agency shall provide a written certification with each Annual Report furnished to the Dissemination Agent to the effect that such Annual Report constitutes the Annual Report required to be furnished hereunder. The Dissemination Agent may conclusively rely upon such certification of the Successor Agency and shall have no duty or obligation to review such Annual Report.
- (b) If the Successor Agency is unable to provide to the MSRB an Annual Report by the date required in subsection (a), the Successor Agency in a timely manner shall send to the MSRB a notice in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, accompanied by such identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB.

#### (c) The Dissemination Agent shall:

- 1. provide any Annual Report received by it to the MSRB by the date required in subsection (a);
- 2. file a report with the Successor Agency and the Trustee (if the Dissemination Agent is other than the Trustee) certifying that the Annual Report has been provided to the MSRB pursuant to this Disclosure Agreement and stating the date it was provided; and
- 3. take any other actions as are mutually agreed upon between the Dissemination Agent and the Successor Agency.

- <u>Section 4.</u> <u>Content of Annual Reports.</u> The Annual Report shall contain or incorporate by reference the following:
- (a) The Successor Agency's audited financial statements prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as promulgated to apply to governmental entities from time to time by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. If the Successor Agency's audited financial statements are not available by the Annual Report Date, the Annual Report shall contain unaudited financial statements in a format similar to the financial statements contained in the final Official Statement, and the audited financial statements shall be filed in the same manner as the Annual Report when they become available.
- (b) Unless otherwise provided in the audited financial statements filed on or before the Annual Report Date, financial information and operating data with respect to the Successor Agency for the preceding fiscal year, substantially similar to that provided in the corresponding tables in the Official Statement:
- (i) Description of issuance by the Successor Agency of any debt payable from or secured by a pledge of Pledged Tax Revenues in the Project Area (as defined in the Official Statement) in the most recently completed fiscal year only (including details as to date, amount, term, rating, insurance).
- (ii) The assessed value of property in the Project Area for the current fiscal year only in the form of Table \_\_ in the Official Statement.
- (iii) The ten largest property taxpayers in the Project Area for the current fiscal year only in the form of Table to the Official Statement.
- (iv) The coverage ratio provided by Pledged Tax Revenues in the Project Area with respect to debt service on the Bonds and any Parity Debt for the current fiscal year only, in the form of Table \_\_ in the Official Statement without any requirement to update any projected Pledged Tax Revenues set forth in Table \_\_.
- (c) Any or all of the items listed above may be included by specific reference to other documents, including official statements of debt issues of the Successor Agency or related public entities, which are available to the public on the MSRB's Internet web site or filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Successor Agency shall clearly identify each such other document so included by reference.

#### Section 5. Reporting of Significant Events.

- (a) Pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5, the Successor Agency shall give, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to give, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds in a timely manner not more than ten (10) Business Days after the event:
  - 1. Principal and interest payment delinquencies.
  - 2. Unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties.
  - 3. Unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties.

- 4. Substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform.
- 5. Adverse tax opinions, the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability or Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701 TEB).
- 6. Tender offers.
- 7. Defeasances.
- 8. Rating changes.
- 9. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar proceedings.

Note: For the purposes of the event identified in subparagraph (9), the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for an obligated person in a proceeding under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any other proceeding under state or federal law in which a court or governmental authority has assumed jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person, or if such jurisdiction has been assumed by leaving the existing governmental body and officials or officers in possession but subject to the supervision and orders of a court or governmental authority, or the entry of an order confirming a plan of reorganization, arrangement or liquidation by a court or governmental authority having supervision or jurisdiction over substantially all of the assets or business of the obligated person.

- 10. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Successor Agency, any of which reflect financial difficulties.
- (b) Pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5, the Successor Agency shall give, or shall cause the Dissemination Agent to give, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, if material, in a timely manner not more than ten (10) Business Days after occurrence:
  - 1. Unless described in Section 5(a)(5), other notices or determinations by the Internal Revenue Service with respect to the tax status of the Bonds or other events affecting the tax status of the Bonds.
  - 2. Modifications to the rights of Bondholders.
  - 3. Bond calls.
  - 4. Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds.
  - 5. Non-payment related defaults.
  - 6. The consummation of a merger, consolidation or acquisition involving the Successor Agency or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Successor Agency, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a

- definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms.
- 7. Appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of the name of a trustee.
- 8. Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Successor Agency, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Successor Agency, any of which affect security holders.
- (c) If the Successor Agency determines that knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event under subsection (b) would be material under applicable federal securities laws, and if the Dissemination Agent is other than the Successor Agency, the Successor Agency shall promptly notify the Dissemination Agent in writing. Such notice shall instruct the Dissemination Agent to file a notice of such occurrence with the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB in a timely manner not more than ten (10) Business Days after the event.
- (d) If the Successor Agency determines that a Listed Event under subsection (b) would not be material under applicable federal securities laws and if the Dissemination Agent is other than the Successor Agency, the Successor Agency shall so notify the Dissemination Agent in writing and instruct the Dissemination Agent not to report the occurrence.
- (e) The Successor Agency hereby agrees that the undertaking set forth in this Disclosure Agreement is the responsibility of the Successor Agency and, if the Dissemination Agent is other than the Successor Agency, the Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible for determining whether the Successor Agency's instructions to the Dissemination Agent under this Section 5 comply with the requirements of the Rule.
- <u>Section 6.</u> <u>Termination of Reporting Obligation</u>. The obligations of the Successor Agency and the Dissemination Agent specified in this Disclosure Agreement shall terminate upon the legal defeasance, prior redemption or payment in full of all of the Bonds. If such termination occurs prior to the final maturity of the Bonds, the Successor Agency shall give notice of such termination in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(a).
- Section 7. <u>Dissemination Agent</u>. The Successor Agency may from time to time appoint or engage a Dissemination Agent to assist it in carrying out its obligations under this Disclosure Agreement, and may discharge any such Dissemination Agent, with or without appointing a successor Dissemination Agent. If at any time there is not any other designated Dissemination Agent, the Successor Agency shall act as Dissemination Agent. The initial Dissemination Agent shall be The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.
- <u>Section 8.</u> <u>Amendment; Waiver.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of this Disclosure Agreement, the Successor Agency may amend this Disclosure Agreement, and any provision of this Disclosure Agreement may be waived, provided that the following conditions are satisfied:
- (a) if the amendment or waiver relates to annual or event information to be provided hereunder, it may only be made in connection with a change in circumstances that arises from a change

in legal requirements, change in law, or change in the identity, nature, or status of the Successor Agency or type of business conducted;

- (b) the undertakings herein, as proposed to be amended or waived, would, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel have complied with the requirements of the Rule at the time of the primary offering of the Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and
- (c) the proposed amendment or waiver: (i) is approved by holders of the Bonds in the manner provided in the Indenture for amendments to the Indenture with the consent of holders; or (ii) does not, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, materially impair the interest of Bond owners.

The Successor Agency shall describe any amendment to this Disclosure Agreement in the next Annual Report filed after such amendment takes effect.

If the annual financial information or operating data to be provided in the Annual Report is amended pursuant to the provisions hereof, the annual financial information containing the amended operating data or financial information shall explain, in narrative form, the reasons for the amendment and the impact of the change in the type of operating data or financial information being provided.

If an amendment is made to the undertaking specifying the accounting principles to be followed in preparing financial statements, the annual financial information for the year in which the change is made shall present a comparison between the financial statements or information prepared on the basis of the new accounting principles and those prepared on the basis of the former accounting principles. The comparison shall include a qualitative discussion of the differences in the accounting principles and the impact of the change in the accounting principles on the presentation of the financial information, in order to provide information to investors to enable them to evaluate the ability of the Successor Agency to meet its obligations. To the extent reasonably feasible, the comparison shall be quantitative. A notice of the change in the accounting principles shall be sent to the MSRB.

Section 9. Additional Information. Nothing in this Disclosure Agreement shall be deemed to prevent the Successor Agency from disseminating any other information, using the means of dissemination set forth in this Disclosure Agreement or any other means of communication, or including any other information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event, in addition to that which is required by this Disclosure Agreement. If the Successor Agency chooses to include any information in any Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event in addition to that which is specifically required by this Disclosure Agreement, the Successor Agency shall have no obligation under this Disclosure Agreement to update such information or include it in any future Annual Report or notice of occurrence of a Listed Event.

Section 10. Default. In the event of a failure of the Successor Agency to comply with any provisions of this Disclosure Agreement, any Participating Underwriter or any holder or Beneficial Owner of the Bonds, or the Trustee on behalf of the holders of the Bonds (after receiving indemnification to its satisfaction), may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the Successor Agency to comply with its obligations under this Disclosure Agreement. A default under this Disclosure Agreement shall not be deemed to be a default under the Indenture, and the sole remedy under this

Disclosure Agreement in the event of any failure of the Successor Agency or the Dissemination Agent to comply with this Disclosure Agreement shall be an action to compel performance.

Section 11. Duties, Immunities and Liabilities of Dissemination Agent. The Dissemination Agent shall have only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Disclosure Agreement. The Dissemination Agent has undertaken no responsibility with respect to any reports, notices or disclosures provided to it under this Agreement, and has no liability to any person, including any holder of Bonds, with respect to the content of any such reports, notices or disclosures. The fact that the Dissemination Agent or any affiliate thereof may have any fiduciary or banking relationship with the Successor Agency shall not be construed to mean that the Dissemination Agent has actual knowledge of any event or condition except as may be provided by written notice from the Successor Agency. The Successor Agency agrees to indemnify and save the Dissemination Agent, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless against any loss, expense and liabilities that it may incur arising out of or in the exercise or performance of its duties as described hereunder, if any, including the costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending against any claim of liability, but excluding liabilities due to the Dissemination Agent's negligence or willful misconduct. The obligations of the Successor Agency under this Section shall survive resignation or removal of the Dissemination Agent and payment of the Bonds. The Dissemination Agent shall not be responsible in any manner for the format or content of any notice or Annual Report prepared by the Successor Agency pursuant to this Disclosure Agreement. The Successor Agency shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of the Dissemination Agent for its duties as described hereunder.

<u>Section 12.</u> <u>Notices.</u> Any notices or communications to or among any of the parties to this Disclosure Agreement may be given to the Dissemination Agent (if other than the Successor Agency) and to the Successor Agency as follows:

Successor Agency: Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of

the City of Vernon

4305 South Santa Fe Avenue Vernon, California 90058 Attention: Executive Director

Dissemination Agent: The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A.

333 S. Hope Street, Suite 2525 Los Angeles, California 90071 Attention: Corporate Trust

Reference: Successor Agency of the Former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Vernon, Tax Allocation Refunding

Bonds, Series 2022

<u>Section 13</u>. <u>Beneficiaries</u>. This Disclosure Agreement shall inure solely to the benefit of the Successor Agency, the Dissemination Agent, the Trustee, the Participating Underwriter and holders and Beneficial Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and shall create no rights in any other person or entity.

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Date:, 2022	
	SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF VERNON
	By:Executive Director
	THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. as Dissemination Agent
	By:Authorized Signatory