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*In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to LACMTA, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax covenants described herein, (i) interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code. In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, under existing statutes, interest on the Series 2020-A Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes imposed by the State of California. For a more complete description, see "TAX MATTERS" herein.*

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**LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN  
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds,  
Senior Bonds, Series 2022-A**

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The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("LACMTA") is issuing its Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2022-A (the "Series 2022-A Bonds"). The Series 2022-A Bonds are being issued pursuant to the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2010, as amended (the "Trust Agreement"), by and between LACMTA and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and the Thirty-Third Supplemental Trust Agreement, to be dated as of June 1, 2022 (the "Thirty-Third Supplemental Agreement," and together with the Trust Agreement, the "Agreement"), by and between LACMTA and the Trustee. The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA payable solely from and secured by a first lien on and pledge of "Pledged Revenues" and by other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement. "Pledged Revenues" are receipts from the Proposition C Sales Tax, less amounts described in this Official Statement. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS" and "PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS" herein. LACMTA will use the proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds and other available funds to (a) refund and defease the Refunded Bonds and (b) pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

The Series 2022-A Bonds will be issued in denominations of \$5,000 and integral multiples thereof. The Series 2022-A Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as registered owner and nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), the securities depository for the Series 2022-A Bonds. Individual purchases and sales of the Series 2022-A Bonds may be made in book-entry form only. See "APPENDIX G—BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM." The Series 2022-A Bonds will mature in the principal amounts and will bear interest at the rates set forth on the inside front cover. LACMTA will pay interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds on each January 1 and July 1, commencing on January 1, 2023.

The Series 2022-A Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

**Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the County of Los Angeles, the State of California or any political subdivision or public agency thereof, other than LACMTA to the extent of the Pledged Revenues and certain other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement, is pledged to the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds. Other than Pledged Revenues and such other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement, the general fund of LACMTA is not liable, and neither the credit nor the taxing power of LACMTA is pledged, to the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds. LACMTA has no power to levy property taxes to pay the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.**

This cover page contains certain information for general reference only. It is not intended to be a summary of the terms of, or the security for, the Series 2022-A Bonds. Investors are advised to read this Official Statement in its entirety to obtain information essential to the making of an informed investment decision. Capitalized terms used on this cover page and not otherwise defined have the meanings set forth herein.

LACMTA is offering the Series 2022-A Bonds when, as and if it issues the Series 2022-A Bonds. The issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds is subject to the approval as to their validity by Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to LACMTA. The Los Angeles County Counsel, as General Counsel to LACMTA, and Kutak Rock LLP, as Disclosure Counsel, will pass on certain legal matters for LACMTA. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel, [●]. LACMTA

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anticipates that the Series 2022-A Bonds will be available for delivery through the book-entry facilities of DTC on or about June [●], 2022.

**[Underwriters]**

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**MATURITY SCHEDULE\***

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds,  
Senior Bonds, Series 2022-A**

<b>Maturity Date (July 1)*</b>	<b>Principal Amount*</b>	<b>Interest Rate</b>	<b>Yield</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>CUSIP No.†</b>
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This Official Statement is not a contract with the purchasers or owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds. Statements contained in this Official Statement which involve estimates, projections or matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so described in this Official Statement, are intended solely as such and are not to be construed as representations of facts.

The Underwriters have provided the following sentence for inclusion in this Official Statement. The Underwriters have reviewed the information in this Official Statement in accordance with, and as part of, their respective responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws as applied to the facts and circumstances of this transaction, but the Underwriters do not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of such information.

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In making an investment decision, investors must rely on their own examination of the terms of the offering and the security and sources of payment of the Series 2022-A Bonds, including the merits and risks involved. The Series 2022-A Bonds have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, nor has the Agreement been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, in reliance upon exemptions contained in such acts. Neither the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other federal, state or other governmental securities regulatory agency, has passed upon the merits of the Series 2022-A Bonds or the accuracy or completeness of this Official Statement. The Series 2022-A Bonds have not been recommended by any federal or state securities commission or regulatory authority. Any representation to the contrary may be a criminal offense.

This Official Statement contains statements relating to future results that are "forward looking statements." When used in this Official Statement, the words "estimate," "forecast," "projection," "intend," "expect" and similar expressions identify forward looking statements. Any forward looking statement is subject to uncertainty and risks that could cause actual results to differ, possibly materially, from those contemplated in such forward looking statements. Some assumptions used to develop forward looking statements inevitably will not be realized, and unanticipated events and circumstances may occur. Therefore, investors should be aware that there are likely to be differences between forward looking statements and actual results; those differences could be material.

The Underwriters may offer and sell the Series 2022-A Bonds to certain dealers and others at yields higher or prices lower than the public offering yields and/or prices stated on the inside cover page of this Official Statement, and such public offering yields and/or prices may be changed from time to time by the Underwriters.

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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT

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**LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**  
**Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds,**  
**Senior Bonds, Series 2022-A**

### INTRODUCTION

This Official Statement, which includes the cover page and the appendices hereto, sets forth information in connection with the offering by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“LACMTA”) of §[PARA]\* aggregate principal amount of its Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2022-A (the “Series 2022-A Bonds”). This Introduction is qualified by the more complete and detailed information contained in this entire Official Statement and the documents summarized or described in this Official Statement. Prospective investors should review this entire Official Statement, including the cover page and appendices, before they make an investment decision to purchase the Series 2022-A Bonds. LACMTA is only offering the Series 2022-A Bonds to potential investors by means of this entire Official Statement. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in “APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—DEFINITIONS.”

### LACMTA

LACMTA was established in 1993 pursuant to the provisions of Section 130050.2 et seq. of the California Public Utilities Code (the “LACMTA Act”). LACMTA is the consolidated successor entity to both the Southern California Rapid Transit District (the “District”) and the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission (the “Commission”). As the consolidated successor entity, LACMTA succeeded to all powers, duties, rights, obligations, liabilities, indebtedness, bonded or otherwise, immunities and exemptions of the District and the Commission, including the Commission’s responsibility for planning, engineering and constructing a county wide rail transit system. The Commission was authorized, subject to approval by the electorate of the County of Los Angeles (the “County”), to adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance, with the revenues of such tax to be used for public transit purposes. On November 6, 1990, the voters of the County approved the “Proposition C Sales Tax.” The Proposition C Sales Tax is a one half of 1 percent sales tax imposed on the gross receipts of retailers from the sale of tangible personal property sold at retail in the County and a use tax at the same rate upon the storage, use or other consumption in the County of such property purchased from any retailer for storage, use or other consumption in the County, subject to certain limited exceptions, and is not limited in duration. For more information regarding the Proposition C Sales Tax, see “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS—The Proposition C Sales Tax.”

For further discussion of LACMTA, its other sources of revenues, the services it provides and the projects it is undertaking, see “APPENDIX A—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY.” The information provided in APPENDIX A is intended as general information only. The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA payable from Pledged Revenues, which consist primarily of proceeds of the Proposition C Sales Tax. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS.” For certain economic and demographic

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data about the County, see “APPENDIX C—LOS ANGELES COUNTY ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION.”

### **Purpose of the Series 2022-A Bonds**

LACMTA will use the proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds, together with other available funds, to (a) refund and defease the Refunded Bonds (as defined under “PLAN OF REFUNDING AND APPLICATION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BOND PROCEEDS—Use of Proceeds; Plan of Refunding”), and (b) pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds. For a more detailed description of LACMTA’s proposed use of the proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds, see “PLAN OF REFUNDING AND APPLICATION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BOND PROCEEDS.”

### **Description of the Series 2022-A Bonds**

The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA to be issued pursuant to, and secured under, the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2010, as amended (the “Trust Agreement”), by and between LACMTA and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”). In connection with the issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds, LACMTA will enter into the Thirty-Third Supplemental Trust Agreement, to be dated as of June 1, 2022 (the “Thirty-Third Supplemental Agreement”), by and between LACMTA and the Trustee, to provide for the terms of the Series 2022-A Bonds and related matters. The Trust Agreement, as supplemented by the Thirty-Third Supplemental Agreement, is referred to in this Official Statement as the “Agreement.”

The Series 2022-A Bonds will be issued in registered form, in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Series 2022-A Bonds will be dated their initial date of delivery and will mature on the dates and in the principal amounts and will bear interest at the rates per annum as shown on the inside cover page hereof, computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. The Series 2022-A Bonds will be delivered in book-entry-only form and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”), which will act as securities depository for the Series 2022-A Bonds. See “APPENDIX G—BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM.”

### **Security and Sources of Payment for the Series 2022-A Bonds**

The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA payable solely from and secured by a first lien on and pledge of “Pledged Revenues,” which are moneys collected as a result of the imposition of the Proposition C Sales Tax (the imposition of which is not limited in duration), less 20% thereof which is allocated to local jurisdictions for public transit, paratransit and related services (the “Local Allocation”), and less an administrative fee paid to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (formerly the California State Board of Equalization) (“CDTFA”) in connection with the collection and disbursement of the Proposition C Sales Tax (the “Pledged Tax”), plus interest, profits and other income received from the investment of such amounts held by the Trustee (other than amounts in the Rebate Fund). In addition, the Series 2022-A Bonds are secured by all other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement except for amounts held in any debt service reserve fund, the Rebate Fund and the Redemption Fund. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS” and “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS.”

## **Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations**

Under the Agreement, LACMTA may issue Senior Bonds and incur debt and other obligations payable on a parity with Senior Bonds (“Senior Parity Debt,” described in greater detail in APPENDIX D), which are secured by a first lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues. Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt are referred to collectively in this Official Statement as “Senior Obligations.” The Series 2022-A Bonds are Senior Bonds and are payable on a parity with all other Senior Bonds and any Senior Parity Debt. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations.”

As of May 1, 2022, LACMTA had Senior Bonds outstanding in the aggregate principal amount of \$1,888,960,000, including the principal of the Refunded Bonds. See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS.” LACMTA presently does not have any Senior Parity Debt outstanding.

LACMTA may issue additional Senior Bonds and incur additional Senior Parity Debt upon the satisfaction of certain additional bonds tests contained in the Agreement. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—*Senior Obligations*.” LACMTA’s Short Range Financial Forecast assumes the issuance of approximately \$1.3 billion in additional Senior Bonds from Fiscal Year 2023 through Fiscal Year 2032. For further discussion of the Short Range Financial Forecast, see “FUTURE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS—Capital Planning” in APPENDIX A.

LACMTA has covenanted in the Trust Agreement not to issue or incur any obligations with a pledge of or lien on Pledged Revenues prior or superior to that of the Senior Bonds (including the Series 2022-A Bonds) and any Senior Parity Debt.

Under the Agreement, LACMTA also is authorized to create a charge or lien on Pledged Revenues ranking junior and subordinate to the charge or lien of the Senior Obligations (including the Series 2022-A Bonds). Pursuant to the Subordinate Trust Agreement, dated as of June 1, 1993, as amended and supplemented (the “Subordinate Trust Agreement”), by and between LACMTA and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, LACMTA has issued obligations (the “Subordinate Lien Obligations”) which are payable from and secured by a pledge and lien on the Pledged Revenues remaining after the payment of the principal of and interest on the Senior Obligations and any Pledged Revenues required to fund a debt service reserve fund for the Senior Bonds (collectively, the “Net Pledged Revenues”). See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Subordinate Lien Obligations” for a description of LACMTA’s outstanding Subordinate Lien Obligations. See also “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—*Subordinate Lien Obligations*.”

In addition, LACMTA has incurred other obligations which are secured by the Proposition C Sales Tax revenues that remain after the payment of Senior Bonds, Senior Parity Debt and Subordinate Lien Obligations. See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Other Obligations.”

## **The Series 2022-A Bonds Are Limited Obligations of LACMTA Only**

Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the County, the State of California (the “State”) or any political subdivision or public agency thereof, other than LACMTA to the extent of the Pledged Revenues and certain other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement, is pledged to the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds. LACMTA has no power to levy property taxes to pay the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.

The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA and are payable, as to both principal and interest, solely from and secured by a first lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues and certain other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement. Other than Pledged Revenues and such other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement, the general fund of LACMTA is not liable, and neither the credit nor the taxing power of LACMTA is pledged, to the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.

### **No Reserve Fund for the Series 2022-A Bonds**

Prior to 2019, all of the Senior Bonds were supported by a reserve fund established by the Trust Agreement (the “Reserve Fund”), and the outstanding Senior Bonds issued on or prior to June 15, 2016 are secured by the Reserve Fund. However, the Series 2022-A Bonds will not be secured by the Reserve Fund or any other debt service reserve fund. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—The Series 2022-A Bonds Are Not Secured by Any Debt Service Reserve Fund.”

### **Continuing Disclosure**

In connection with the issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds, for purposes of assisting the Underwriters (as defined under “UNDERWRITING”) in complying with Rule 15c2-12 (the “Rule”) promulgated by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, LACMTA will agree to provide, or cause to be provided, to the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board’s Electronic Municipal Market Access system (the “EMMA System”), certain annual financial information and operating data relating to LACMTA and notice of certain enumerated events. See “CONTINUING DISCLOSURE” and “APPENDIX F—FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE.”

### **Impact of Global COVID-19 Outbreak**

As a part of the State’s response to the global outbreak of a novel coronavirus (together with variants thereof, “COVID-19”), the Governor of the State (the “Governor”) declared a state of emergency in the State on March 4, 2020. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic, and on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national state of emergency. The State, the City of Los Angeles and the County imposed significant restrictions on economic and other activity within the County beginning in March 2020. The economic shut-down caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the related government restrictions on activity, materially reduced consumer spending and sales tax collections in the County. As of [May], 2022, nearly all restrictions imposed by the State, the City of Los Angeles, and the County (including physical distancing and capacity limits on businesses) have been terminated.

The Governor issued several executive orders in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. On March 12, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-25-20, requiring CDTFA, which administers sales and use taxes in the State, to use its administrative powers where appropriate to provide extensions for filing, payment, audits, billing, notices, assessments, claims for refund, and relief from subsequent penalties and interest to individuals and businesses impacted by complying with a state or local public health official’s imposition or recommendation of social distancing measures related to COVID-19. On March 30, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-40-20, which provided a three-month extension for tax returns and tax payments for all businesses filing a return for less than \$1,000,000 in taxes. This Order also extended the statute of limitations to file a claim for refund for taxes and fees administered by CDTFA, and extended the timeframe to file for appeal with CDTFA. On April 2, 2020, the Governor announced a one-year reprieve on the payment of sales and use taxes for small businesses allowing them to request to defer

payment on up to \$50,000 of sales and use tax liability. The executive orders described above have expired, but during their effectiveness, sales tax receipts payable to LACMTA (including Proposition C Sales Tax revenues) were negatively affected.

Proposition C Sales Tax receipts for Fiscal Year 2020 were \$836.7 million compared to \$865.9 million for Fiscal Year 2019, a 3.4% decrease. However, Proposition C Sales Tax receipts for Fiscal Year 2021 were \$869.2 million compared to \$865.9 million for Fiscal Year 2019, a 0.4% increase. The increase of Proposition C Sales Tax receipts in Fiscal Year 2021 was a direct result of COVID-19 vaccines becoming more widely available and restrictions on businesses being phased out. Proposition C Sales Tax receipts have continued to recover during Fiscal Year 2022. Proposition C Sales Tax receipts through the first ten months of Fiscal Year 2022 (July 2021 through April 2022) were \$891.5 million as compared to \$710.4 million for the same period in Fiscal Year 2021 (July 2020 through April 2021), a 25.5% increase. See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS—Historical Proposition C Sales Tax Collections.”

During the COVID-19 pandemic, ridership on LACMTA’s bus and rail systems has declined significantly. Average weekday ridership for Fiscal Year 2021 was approximately 580,700 compared to 951,700 for Fiscal Year 2020, a 39.0% decrease. For the first nine months of Fiscal Year 2022, average weekly ridership on LACMTA’s bus and rail systems increased to approximately 771,600 compared to 558,100 for the first nine months of Fiscal Year 2021. LACMTA cannot predict when, if ever, ridership on its bus and rail systems will return to pre-COVID-19 levels. The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA payable from Pledged Revenues, which consist primarily of proceeds of the Proposition C Sales Tax, and are not payable from farebox revenues collected from riders of LACMTA’s bus and rail systems or other revenues of LACMTA.

Beginning in Fiscal Year 2021, LACMTA has received federal grant assistance under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (“CARES”) Act, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (the “CRRSAA”) and the American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) to partially offset losses in sales tax revenues and other operational and capital costs. Through March 31, 2022, LACMTA has received \$862 million in funding under the CARES Act, \$771 million under CRRSAA and \$657 million under ARPA. LACMTA continues to mitigate the risks of all its patrons and employees through the use of personal protective equipment and strengthened cleaning regimes on all vehicles, stations, and terminals.

The COVID-19 outbreak is ongoing, and its dynamic nature leads to uncertainties, including (i) the geographic spread of the virus; (ii) the severity of the disease; (iii) the duration of the outbreak; (iv) existing actions that have been taken, and new actions that may be taken in the future, by governmental authorities to contain or mitigate the outbreak; (v) the acceptance of and effectiveness (especially against any new variants of the virus) of vaccines; (vi) the impact of the outbreak on the local, national or global economy; (vii) the impact of the outbreak and actions taken in response to the outbreak on LACMTA’s revenues, expenses and financial condition; and (viii) temporary and permanent changes to consumers’ spending habits.

### **Additional Information**

Brief descriptions of the Series 2022-A Bonds, the Agreement and certain other documents are included in this Official Statement and the appendices hereto. Such descriptions do not purport to be comprehensive or definitive. All references herein to such documents and any other documents, statutes, reports or other instruments described herein are qualified in their entirety by reference to each such document, statute, report or other instrument. The information herein is subject to change without notice, and the delivery of this Official Statement will under no circumstances create any implication that there has

been no change in the affairs of LACMTA since the date hereof. This Official Statement is not to be construed as a contract or agreement between LACMTA and the purchasers or Owners of any of the Series 2022-A Bonds. LACMTA maintains a website, an investor relations page through a third-party, and social media accounts, the information on which is not part of this Official Statement, has not and is not incorporated by reference herein, and should not be relied upon in deciding whether to invest in the Series 2022-A Bonds.

Copies of the Agreement may be obtained from LACMTA at One Gateway Plaza, 21st Floor, Treasury Department, Los Angeles, California 90012, or by emailing TreasuryDept@metro.net, or by calling (213) 922-2554.

## PLAN OF REFUNDING AND APPLICATION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BOND PROCEEDS

### Use of Proceeds; Plan of Refunding

LACMTA will use the proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds, together with other available funds to be released from funds and accounts related to the Refunded Bonds, to (a) refund and defease the Refunded Bonds and (b) pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

LACMTA will apply a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds, together with other available funds, to refund and defease all or a portion of its outstanding (a) Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2012-A (the portion so refunded, the “Refunded Series 2012-A Bonds”), and (b) Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2012-B (the portion so refunded, the “Refunded Series 2012-B Bonds,” and together with the Refunded Series 2012-A Bonds, the “Refunded Bonds”), as set forth in more detail in the following table. The specific amount, if any, to be refunded will depend on market conditions.

#### REFUNDED BONDS\*

<u>Series</u>	<u>Maturity Date (July 1)</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Payment/Redemption Date</u>	<u>CUSIP Number<sup>1</sup></u>
2012-A	2027	\$ 7,210,000	3.000%	July 1, 2022	5447123Z3
2012-A	2028	7,425,000	3.125	July 1, 2022	5447124A7
2012-B	2022	12,175,000	5.000	July 1, 2022	5447124D1
2012-B	2023	12,720,000	5.000	July 1, 2022	5447124E9
2012-B	2024	13,300,000	5.000	July 1, 2022	5447124F6
2012-B	2025	13,915,000	5.000	July 1, 2022	5447124G4

\* Preliminary; subject to change.

<sup>1</sup> CUSIP numbers are provided only for the convenience of the reader. LACMTA does not undertake any responsibility for the accuracy of such CUSIP numbers or for any changes or errors in the list of CUSIP numbers.

A portion of the proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds, together with other available funds, will be deposited with U.S. Bank [Trust Company], National Association, as trustee and escrow agent, and will be held in (i) an escrow account for the Refunded Series 2012-A Bonds (the “Series 2012-A Escrow Account”), and (ii) an escrow account for the Refunded Series 2012-B Bonds (the “Series 2012-B Escrow Account,” and together with the Series 2012-A Escrow Account, the “Escrow Accounts”) to be created under the terms of an escrow agreement to be entered into between LACMTA and U.S. Bank [Trust Company], National Association, as trustee and escrow agent. All amounts deposited into the Escrow

Accounts will be held uninvested and will be used on July 1, 2022 to (1) redeem the Refunded Bonds maturing on and after July 1, 2023 at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest thereon, and (2) pay the principal of and interest on the Refunded Series 2012-B Bonds maturing on July 1, 2022.

Robert Thomas CPA, LLC, will verify that the amounts deposited to the Escrow Accounts will be sufficient to pay the principal and redemption price of and interest on the Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2022. See “VERIFICATION OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS” herein.

**Estimated Sources and Uses of Funds**

The following table sets forth the estimated sources and uses of funds in connection with the issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

<b><u>Sources</u></b>	
Principal Amount	\$
Original Issue Premium/(Discount)	
Other Available Moneys <sup>1</sup>	_____
Total Sources	\$_____
<b><u>Uses</u></b>	
Deposit to Escrow Accounts	\$
Costs of Issuance <sup>2</sup>	
Total Uses	\$_____

<sup>1</sup> Includes funds released from the Reserve Fund and from the debt service accounts for the Refunded Bonds.

<sup>2</sup> Includes Underwriter’s discount, legal fees, rating agency fees, municipal advisor fees, printer costs, and other costs of issuance.

**RISK FACTORS**

*The following factors, together with all other information provided in this Official Statement, should be considered by potential investors in evaluating the purchase of the Series 2022-A Bonds. The discussion below does not purport to be, nor should it be construed to be, complete nor a summary of all factors which may affect LACMTA, the Proposition C Sales Tax revenues, or the Series 2022-A Bonds. In addition, the order in which the following information is presented is not intended to reflect the relative importance of any such risks.*

**Economic Factors May Cause Declines in Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues**

The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA payable solely from and secured by a first lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues, consisting primarily of certain revenues of the Proposition C Sales Tax and other amounts that are held by the Trustee under the Agreement. The level of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues collected depends on the level of taxable sales transactions within the County, which, in turn, depends on the level of general economic activity in the County. In Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010, the national economic recession and regional general economic conditions resulted in reductions in economic activity and taxable sales within the County, and correspondingly Proposition C Sales Tax revenues received by LACMTA declined. Proposition C Sales Tax revenues increased in Fiscal Years 2011 through 2019.



The COVID-19 pandemic, and the resulting governmentally imposed business shutdowns, negatively affected the collection of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues during the last three months of Fiscal Year 2020 (April 2020 through June 2020) and the first nine months of Fiscal Year 2021. See “INTRODUCTION—Impact of Global COVID-19 Outbreak.” However, during the last three months of Fiscal Year 2021 and the first nine months of Fiscal Year 2022, as COVID-19 restrictions were eased and ultimately terminated, Proposition C Sales Tax revenues increased to historical levels. In the event of new outbreaks of COVID-19 variants and the reimposition of restrictions on businesses, Proposition C Sales Tax revenues could decline in the future, reducing amounts available to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.

To project future Proposition C Sales Tax revenues for budgetary purposes, LACMTA incorporates actual long-term experience combined with forecasts from local economists and other publicly available sources of data. LACMTA does not itself develop forecasts of current or future economic conditions. Furthermore, CDTFA does not provide LACMTA with any forecasts of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues for future periods. Therefore, LACMTA is unable to predict with certainty future levels of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues. In addition, the County is located in a seismically active region. A major earthquake, pandemic, epidemic, or other natural disaster could adversely affect the economy of the County and the amount of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues. Future significant declines in the amount of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues could ultimately impair the ability of LACMTA to pay principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds. See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS—Historical Proposition C Sales Tax Collections.” Also see “APPENDIX C—LOS ANGELES COUNTY ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION.” Also see “INTRODUCTION—Impact of Global COVID-19 Outbreak.”

### **California State Legislature or Electorate or Federal Law May Change Items Subject to Proposition C Sales Tax**

With limited exceptions, the Proposition C Sales Tax is imposed on the same transactions and items subject to the general sales tax levied throughout the State. In the past, the California State Legislature and the California State electorate have made changes to the transactions and items subject to the State’s general sales tax and, therefore, the Proposition C Sales Tax. In 1991, the California State Legislature enacted legislation which expanded the transactions and items subject to the general statewide sales tax to include fuel for aviation and shipping, bottled water, rental equipment and newspapers and magazines. In 1992, the California State electorate approved an initiative which eliminated candy, gum, bottled water and confectionery items as items subject to the California State’s general sales tax. In each case, the same changes were made to transactions or items subject to the Proposition C Sales Tax. In the future, the California State Legislature or the California State electorate could further change the transactions and items upon which the statewide general sales tax and the Proposition C Sales Tax are imposed. Such a change could either increase or decrease Proposition C Sales Tax revenues depending on the nature of the change. See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS.”

Federal law may also cause transactions and items to be excluded from the State’s general sales tax, and, therefore, the Proposition C Sales Tax. For example, under federal law, local taxes on aviation fuel (except taxes in effect on December 30, 1987) must be used for airport-related purposes, as a condition for receiving federal funding for airports. On November 7, 2014, the Federal Aviation Administration (the “FAA”) adopted an amendment to its “Policy and Procedures Concerning the Use of Airport Revenue” (the “FAA Policy”), which clarifies that local sales taxes derived from aviation fuel are subject to the airport use restriction and must be used for airport-related purposes. The FAA definition of local sales tax includes the Proposition C Sales Tax, as well as the Measure R Sales Tax and the Measure M Sales Tax (see “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS—The Proposition C Sales Tax” for descriptions of these sales taxes). While LACMTA cannot be certain of the overall impact that the FAA Policy will

have on Proposition C Sales Tax revenues, it does not expect that Proposition C Sales Tax revenues will be reduced as a result of the FAA Policy since the amount of revenues that LACMTA expends on airport-related purposes exceeds the amount of local taxes, including Proposition C Sales Tax revenues, it derives from aviation fuel. However, LACMTA cannot guarantee that Proposition C Sales Tax revenues will not be adversely affected by the FAA Policy. The FAA Policy is illustrative of federal laws that may affect which transactions and items are subject to the State's general sales tax.

### **Increases in Sales Tax Rate May Cause Declines in Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues**

Increases in sales tax rates, whether by the electorate of a municipality within the County, the County or the State or by the State Legislature, may affect consumer spending decisions and as a result adversely impact sales transactions in the County and, thereby, reduce Proposition C Sales Tax revenues. Several increases in sales tax rates have occurred in recent years.

In November 2008, County voters approved Measure R, which increased the sales tax rate within the County by  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1% for a period of 30 years to fund LACMTA transportation projects and operations. Collection of the additional sales tax rate (known as the Measure R Sales Tax) commenced in July 1, 2009.

At the election held on November 8, 2016, more than two-thirds of the electors of the County voting on the issue approved an additional transportation and use tax (known as the Measure M Sales Tax) to improve transportation and ease traffic congestion. The Measure M Sales Tax is a new one-half cent sales tax that started on July 1, 2017 that increases to one cent in 2039 when the Measure R Sales Tax expires. The Measure M Sales Tax does not have a scheduled expiration date. Proposition A Sales Tax (as defined herein) revenues, Measure R Sales Tax revenues and Measure M Sales Tax revenues are separate from Proposition C Sales Tax revenues and do not secure the Senior Bonds, including the Series 2022-A Bonds, or Senior Parity Debt.

On March 7, 2017, County voters approved a  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1% sales tax increase known as the Measure H Sales Tax for Homeless Services and Prevention to fund programs to assist the County's homeless population. The Measure H Sales Tax went into effect in October, 2017 and such tax expires in 2027. See "PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS—The Proposition C Sales Tax" for further discussion of Measure H and other current sales taxes in the County.

Additional increases in sales tax rates that will impact the County, while not currently pending, can be expected to be proposed and imposed, from time to time.

### **Increased Internet Use May Reduce Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues**

The increasing use of the Internet to conduct electronic commerce may affect the levels of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues. Internet sales of physical products by businesses located in the State, and Internet sales of physical products delivered to the State by businesses located outside of the State are generally subject to the retail transactions and use tax imposed by Proposition C. Legislation passed as part of the California Budget Act of 2011 imposes a use tax collection responsibility for certain out-of-state, and particularly Internet, retailers that meet certain criteria. The new responsibility took effect in September 2012.

Further, the Supreme Court of the United States (the "Supreme Court") decided a case on June 21, 2018 (*South Dakota v. Wayfair Inc., et al*) concerning out of jurisdiction collection of sales taxes. The Supreme Court ruled that state and local governments have the authority to require out-of-state vendors with no local physical presence in a state to collect and remit sales taxes to state and local governments. Since April 1, 2019, retailers located outside of California have been required to register with CDTFA,

collect the California use tax, and pay the tax to CDTFA based on the amount of their sales into California, even if they do not have a physical presence in the state, with exceptions for retailers with California sales below certain volume and dollar amount thresholds. Effective October 1, 2019, marketplace facilitators (such as Internet shopping websites) are treated as retailers for purposes of determining whether such thresholds are met, and marketplace facilitators are required to collect and remit sales and use tax on the sale of tangible personal property sold through their marketplace for delivery to California customers if they meet certain volume and dollar amount thresholds. LACMTA believes that some Internet transactions currently avoid taxation and in the future may continue to avoid taxation, and this potentially reduces the amount of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues.

### **No Acceleration of the Series 2022-A Bonds**

In the event of a default by LACMTA, the Agreement does not contain a provision allowing for the acceleration of the principal of and interest due on the Series 2022-A Bonds. In the event of a default by LACMTA, each Owner of the Series 2022-A Bonds will have the right to exercise the remedies, subject to the limitations thereon, set forth in the Agreement. See “APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—TRUST AGREEMENT—Events of Default and Remedies.”

### **No Reserve Fund for the Series 2022-A Bonds**

The Series 2022-A Bonds will not be secured by a debt service reserve fund.

### **Additional Senior Bonds**

LACMTA expects to issue additional debt secured by Proposition C Sales Tax revenues, including additional Senior Bonds. The Short Range Financial Forecast assumes the issuance of approximately \$1.3 billion in additional Senior Bonds from Fiscal Year 2023 through Fiscal Year 2032. For further discussion of the Short Range Financial Forecast, see “APPENDIX A—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY—FUTURE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS—Capital Planning.” LACMTA has several major transit projects under construction and has future plans for additional major capital projects. LACMTA may ultimately issue more Senior Bonds to finance these projects than its current plans presently anticipate, particularly if costs of completing projects are higher than expected or other funding sources are not available as planned. In addition, LACMTA is likely to undertake additional capital projects in the future, and additional Senior Bonds may be issued to finance these projects. LACMTA may issue additional Senior Bonds only if the additional bonds tests described under “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—*Senior Obligations*” are satisfied.

### **Impact of Bankruptcy of LACMTA**

As a municipal entity, LACMTA is authorized to file a petition for relief under Chapter 9 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (“Chapter 9”) under certain circumstances. Should LACMTA file for bankruptcy relief, there could be adverse effects on the holders of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

If the Pledged Tax constitutes “special revenues” under the Bankruptcy Code, then Pledged Tax collected before and after the date of the bankruptcy filing should be subject to the lien of the Agreement. “Special revenues” are defined to include taxes specifically levied to finance one or more projects or systems, and also to include receipts from the ownership, operation, or disposition of projects or systems that are primarily used or intended to be used primarily to provide transportation, utility or other services, as well as other revenues or receipts derived from particular functions of the debtor, but the Bankruptcy

Code excludes receipts from general property, sales, or income taxes levied to finance the general purposes of the governmental entity.

The results of Chapter 9 bankruptcy proceedings are difficult to predict. If a court determined that the Proposition C Sales Tax was levied to finance the general purposes of LACMTA rather than specific projects, then the Pledged Tax would not be special revenues. No assurance can be given that a court would hold that the Pledged Tax constitutes special revenues or that the Series 2022-A Bonds are of a type protected by the “special revenues” provisions of the Bankruptcy Code. If a bankruptcy court were to determine that the Pledged Tax were not “special revenues,” then Pledged Tax collected after the commencement of the bankruptcy case would likely not be subject to the lien of the Agreement. If a bankruptcy court were to so hold, the owners of the Senior Bonds (including the Series 2022-A Bonds) would no longer be entitled to any special priority to the Pledged Tax and could be treated as general unsecured creditors of LACMTA without a lien as to the Pledged Tax. The holders of the Senior Bonds (including the Series 2022-A Bonds) may not be able to assert a claim against any property of LACMTA other than the Pledged Tax, and if the Pledged Tax were no longer subject to the lien of the Agreement, there may be no amounts from which the holders of the Senior Bonds (including the Series 2022-A Bonds) are entitled to be paid.

If the revenues pledged under the Agreement are determined to be special revenues, the Bankruptcy Code provides (in order to maintain the revenue-generating capacity of the municipal entity) that a special revenues lien is subject to the necessary operating expenses of the project or system from which the special revenues are derived, which expenses are to be paid before other obligations (including to bondholders). This rule applies regardless of the provisions of the transaction documents. The law is not clear, however, (i) as to whether, or to what extent, the Pledged Tax would be considered to be “derived” from a project or system, or (ii) precisely which expenses would constitute necessary operating expenses. To the extent that the Pledged Tax is determined to be derived from a project or system, LACMTA may be able to use Pledged Tax to pay necessary operating expenses, before the remaining Pledged Tax is turned over to the Trustee to pay amounts owed to the holders of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

If LACMTA files for relief under Chapter 9, the parties (including the Trustee and the holders of the Series 2022-A Bonds) may be prohibited from taking any action to collect any amount from LACMTA or to enforce any obligation of LACMTA, unless the permission of the bankruptcy court is obtained. These restrictions may also prevent the Trustee from making payments to the holders of the Series 2022-A Bonds from funds in the Trustee’s possession. In addition, the procedure pursuant to which the Pledged Tax is paid directly to the Trustee by CDTFA may no longer be enforceable, and LACMTA may be able to require that the Pledged Tax be paid directly to it by CDTFA.

If LACMTA has possession of Pledged Tax (whether collected before or after commencement of the bankruptcy case) and if LACMTA does not voluntarily pay such moneys to the Trustee, it is not entirely clear what procedures the Trustee or the holders of the Series 2022-A Bonds would have to follow to attempt to obtain possession of such Pledged Tax, how much time it would take for such procedures to be completed, or whether such procedures would ultimately be successful.

The obligations of LACMTA under the Agreement, including its obligations to pay principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds, are limited obligations and are payable solely from the Pledged Revenues and certain other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement. Accordingly, if LACMTA filed for relief under Chapter 9, the owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds may not have any recourse to any assets or revenues of LACMTA other than the Pledged Revenues and other amounts.

In the event of a LACMTA bankruptcy filing, LACMTA may be able to borrow additional money that is secured by a lien on any of its property (including the Pledged Revenues), which lien could have

priority over the lien of the Agreement, as long as the bankruptcy court determines that the rights of the owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds will be adequately protected. LACMTA may also be able to cause some of the Pledged Revenues to be released to it, free and clear of lien of the Agreement, as long as the bankruptcy court determines that the rights of the Trustee and the owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds will be adequately protected.

Through a Chapter 9 proceeding LACMTA may also be able, without the consent and over the objection of the Trustee and the owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds, to alter the priority, principal amount, interest rate, payment terms, collateral, maturity date, payment sources, covenants (including tax-related covenants), and other terms or provisions of the Agreement and the Series 2022-A Bonds, as long as the bankruptcy court determines that the alterations are fair and equitable.

As noted in its 2021 Financial Statements (as defined under “FINANCIAL STATEMENTS”), (see “Note III—DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS—I. Employees’ Retirement Plans” in the Notes to the Financial Statements and the related Required Supplementary Schedules in “APPENDIX B—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021”), LACMTA has been informed that it has unfunded pension plan actuarial accrued liabilities. In a bankruptcy of LACMTA, the amounts of current and, if any, accrued (unpaid) contributions owed to the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (“CalPERS”), the LACMTA-administered plans, or to any other pension system (collectively the “Pension Systems”), as well as future material increases in required contributions, could create additional uncertainty as to LACMTA’s ability to pay debt service on the Series 2022-A Bonds. Given that municipal pension systems in California are usually administered pursuant to state constitutional provisions and, as applicable, other state and/or municipal law, the Pension Systems may take the position, among other possible arguments, that their claims enjoy a higher priority than all other claims, that Pension Systems are instrumentalities of the State and have the right to enforce payment by injunction or other proceedings outside of a LACMTA bankruptcy case, and that Pension System claims cannot be the subject of adjustment or other impairment under the Bankruptcy Code because that would purportedly constitute a violation of state statutory, constitutional and/or municipal law. It is uncertain how a bankruptcy judge in a bankruptcy of LACMTA would rule on these matters. In addition, this area of law is presently very unsettled. This is because, though the issues of pension underfunding claim priority, pension contribution enforcement, and related bankruptcy plan treatment of such claims (among other pension-related matters) have been the subject of litigation in the Chapter 9 cases of several California municipalities, including Stockton and San Bernardino, the relevant disputes have not been litigated to decision in the Federal circuit appellate courts, and thus there are no rulings from which definitive guidance can be taken on pension matters in Chapter 9.

There may be delays in payments on the Series 2022-A Bonds while the court considers any of these issues, and any of these issues could result in delays or reductions in payments on, or other losses with respect to, the Series 2022-A Bonds. There may be other possible effects of a bankruptcy of LACMTA that could result in delays or reductions in payments on the Series 2022-A Bonds, or result in losses to the holders of the Series 2022-A Bonds. Regardless of any specific adverse determinations in a LACMTA bankruptcy proceeding, the fact of a LACMTA bankruptcy proceeding could have an adverse effect on the liquidity and market value of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

### **Liability for CalPERS Retirement Funding**

LACMTA participates in CalPERS, and is a member of the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (“Metrolink”), a joint powers authority that participates in CalPERS. Participants in CalPERS may terminate their participation, and CalPERS may, following notice and cure periods, terminate participants that fail to make required contributions or provide required information or no longer exist.

California law provides that a terminated agency is liable to CalPERS for any deficit in funding for earned benefits, plus interest and collection costs, and that CalPERS will have a lien on assets of the terminated participant, subject only to a prior lien for wages, for such deficit, interest and costs. Similar provisions impose liability and liens on members of joint powers authorities for the retirement obligations of the joint powers authority. As of June 30, 2021, LACMTA's net pension liability with respect to the CalPERS administered plan in which LACMTA participates was approximately \$201 million according to LACMTA's audited financial statements (see APPENDIX B) and as of June 30, 2021, Metrolink's net pension liability was approximately \$16 million, according to Metrolink's audited financial statements. While LACMTA expects to make its required contributions to CalPERS and to strive to ensure that no funding deficit exists in the event of the termination or dissolution of Metrolink or any other joint powers authority of which it becomes a member (or if a funding deficit does exist, to make alternate arrangements to address it), it is possible that a lien could be placed on all of LACMTA's assets, including the Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues, in the amount of any funding deficit, plus interest and collection costs, and any such lien on Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues would be senior to that securing the Senior Bonds. Also see "— Impact of Bankruptcy of LACMTA."

### **Voter Initiatives and California State Legislative Action May Impair Proposition C Sales Tax**

Voters have the right to place measures before the electorate in the County or the State and the California State Legislature may take actions to limit the collection and use of the Proposition C Sales Tax. Such initiatives or actions may impact various aspects of the security, source of payment and other credit aspects of the Series 2022-A Bonds. See "PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS— Initiatives and Changes to Proposition C Sales Tax."

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS**

### **General**

The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA to be issued pursuant to and secured under the Agreement. In connection with the issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds, LACMTA will enter into the Thirty-Third Supplemental Agreement to provide the terms of the Series 2022-A Bonds and related matters.

The Series 2022-A Bonds will bear interest at the rates and mature in the principal amounts and on the dates shown on the inside cover of this Official Statement. LACMTA will pay interest on each January 1 and July 1, beginning January 1, 2023. Interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds will be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.

The Series 2022-A Bonds will be issued in fully registered form in denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. Upon initial issuance, the Series 2022-A Bonds will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as registered owner and nominee of DTC. As long as the Series 2022-A Bonds are registered in such name or in the name of a successor nominee, the ownership of the Series 2022-A Bonds will be evidenced by book-entry as described in "APPENDIX G—BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM." Purchasers will not receive certificated Series 2022-A Bonds. So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Series 2022-A Bonds, reference herein to the Bondholders or registered owners will mean Cede & Co. as aforesaid and will not mean the Beneficial Owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

So long as Cede & Co. is the registered owner of the Series 2022-A Bonds, principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds are payable by wire transfer of funds by the Trustee to Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. DTC is obligated, in turn, to remit such amounts to its participants as described herein for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners. If the Series 2022-A Bonds cease to be held by DTC

or by a successor securities depository, the principal of the Series 2022-A Bonds will be payable at maturity upon presentation and surrender of the Series 2022-A Bonds at the corporate trust office or agency of the Trustee, and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds will be payable by check mailed by first-class mail on each Interest Payment Date to the Owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds as of the Record Date; provided, that Owners of \$1,000,000 or more in aggregate principal amount of Series 2022-A Bonds may arrange for payment by wire transfer of immediately available funds upon written request given to the Trustee at least 15 days prior to an Interest Payment Date.

### **No Redemption**

The Series 2022-A Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

## **SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS**

### **Security for the Series 2022-A Bonds**

The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA payable from and secured by a first lien on and pledge of the “Pledged Revenues,” which consist of Pledged Tax plus interest, profits and other income received from the investment of such amounts held by the Trustee (other than amounts in the Rebate Fund). “Pledged Tax” consists of moneys collected as a result of the imposition of the Proposition C Sales Tax, less 20% thereof which constitutes the Local Allocation, less an administrative fee paid to CDTFA in connection with the collection and disbursement of the Proposition C Sales Tax. In addition, the Series 2022-A Bonds are secured by all other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement except for amounts held in any debt service reserve fund, the Rebate Fund and the Redemption Fund. Additionally, the Agreement provides that Pledged Tax also includes any Local Allocation that a local jurisdiction authorizes to be pledged to secure the Series 2022-A Bonds, plus such additional sources of revenue, if any, which are hereafter pledged to pay the Series 2022-A Bonds under a subsequent supplemental trust agreement. As of the date of this Official Statement, no local jurisdiction has authorized to be pledged any of its Local Allocation to secure any Senior Bonds, including the Series 2022-A Bonds. Pledged Revenues do not include any Proposition C Sales Tax revenues that are released by the Trustee to (a) the payment of the Proposition C Revolving Obligations (as defined under “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Subordinate Lien Obligations”) or any other Subordinate Lien Obligations; (b) LACMTA for the payment, if necessary, of the General Revenue Bonds (as defined under “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Other Obligations”); or (c) LACMTA for any other lawful purposes of LACMTA. LACMTA is not obligated to make payments of principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds from any other source of funds. The Series 2022-A Bonds are payable from and secured by Pledged Revenues on a parity with LACMTA’s outstanding Senior Bonds and additional Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt that may be issued in the future. See “—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—Senior Obligations” and “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt.” For a description of the Proposition C Sales Tax and collections related thereto, see “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS.”

**Neither the faith and credit nor the taxing power of the County, the State or any political subdivision or public agency thereof, other than LACMTA to the extent of the Pledged Revenues and certain other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement, is pledged to the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds. LACMTA has no power to levy property taxes to pay the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.**

**The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA and are payable, as to both principal and interest, solely from a first lien on and pledge of the Pledged Revenues and certain other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement. Other than Pledged Revenues and such**

**other amounts held by the Trustee under the Agreement, the general fund of LACMTA is not liable, and neither the credit nor the taxing power of LACMTA is pledged, to the payment of the principal of or interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.**

### **Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations**

Under the Agreement, LACMTA may issue Senior Bonds and incur Senior Parity Debt, which are secured by a first lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues. The Series 2022-A Bonds are Senior Bonds. See “—*Senior Obligations*” below.

Pursuant to the Trust Agreement, LACMTA has covenanted and agreed not to issue or incur any obligations that would have a lien on Pledged Revenues senior to the Senior Bonds (including the Series 2022-A Bonds) or any Senior Parity Debt.

Under the Agreement, LACMTA also is authorized to create a charge or lien on Pledged Revenues ranking junior and subordinate to the charge or lien of the Senior Obligations (including the Series 2022-A Bonds). Pursuant to the Subordinate Trust Agreement, LACMTA has issued Subordinate Lien Obligations which are payable from and secured by a pledge and lien on Net Pledged Revenues. See “—*Subordinate Lien Obligations and Other Obligations*” below.

***Senior Obligations.*** Pursuant to the Agreement, LACMTA may issue additional Senior Bonds or incur Senior Parity Debt, which would be payable from and secured by a first lien on and pledge of Pledged Revenues on a parity basis with the Series 2022-A Bonds, if LACMTA delivers to the Trustee a certificate prepared by a Consultant showing that the Pledged Tax collected for any 12 consecutive months out of the 18 consecutive months immediately preceding the issuance of such Senior Bonds or incurrence of Senior Parity Debt, as applicable, was at least equal to 130% of Maximum Annual Debt Service for all Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt which will be Outstanding immediately after the proposed issuance of Senior Bonds or incurrence of Senior Parity Debt. This certificate need not be delivered if the Senior Bonds or Senior Parity Debt are being issued or incurred for the purpose of refunding Outstanding Senior Bonds or Senior Parity Debt and certain conditions are met as described in “APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—TRUST AGREEMENT—Additional Senior Bonds.” For a description of the Senior Bonds currently outstanding, see “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt.”

Under the Trust Agreement, “Maximum Annual Debt Service” generally means the greatest amount of principal and interest becoming due and payable on all Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt in the Fiscal Year in which the calculation is made or in any subsequent Fiscal Year. For the full definition of Maximum Annual Debt Service, including additional details regarding the process for calculation, see “APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—DEFINITIONS.”

***Subordinate Lien Obligations and Other Obligations.*** Under the Agreement and the Subordinate Trust Agreement, LACMTA may issue additional Subordinate Lien Obligations secured by Net Pledged Revenues. See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Subordinate Lien Obligations.”

In addition, LACMTA has other outstanding obligations which are secured by certain “remaining” Proposition C Sales Tax cash receipts. See “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Other Obligations.”



## Flow of Funds

Pursuant to an agreement between LACMTA and CDTFA, CDTFA is required to remit the Proposition C Sale Tax receipts directly to the Trustee monthly after deducting CDTFA's costs of administering the Proposition C Sales Tax. The Trustee immediately transfers the Local Allocation (20% of net Proposition C Sales Tax cash receipts) to LACMTA for disbursement. Under the Agreement, the Trustee is required to deposit into the Revenue Fund and to apply the remaining moneys received from CDTFA (80% of net Proposition C Sales Tax cash receipts), as needed, taking into consideration any other funds previously deposited or applied in such month for such purposes, as follows:

FIRST, to the credit of the Senior Bond Interest Account, an amount equal to the Aggregate Accrued Senior Interest for the current calendar month (which, in general, is equal to 1/6 of the interest coming due on the next Interest Payment Date (see "APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—DEFINITIONS")) less any Senior Excess Deposit made with respect to the last preceding calendar month plus any Senior Deficiency existing on the first day of the calendar month plus any amount of interest which has become due and has not been paid and for which there are insufficient funds in the Senior Bond Interest Account or another special account to be used to make such payment;

SECOND, to the credit of the Senior Bond Principal Account, an amount equal to the Aggregate Accrued Senior Principal for the current calendar month (which, in general, is equal to 1/12 of the principal maturing within the next year (see "APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—DEFINITIONS")) less any Senior Excess Deposit made with respect to the last preceding calendar month plus any Accrued Senior Premium and any Senior Deficiency existing on the first day of such calendar month plus any amount of principal which has become due and has not been paid and for which there are insufficient funds in the Senior Bond Principal Account or another special account to be used to make such payment;

THIRD, to the credit of the Reserve Fund and any other Debt Service Reserve Funds such portion of the balance, if any, remaining after making the deposits to the Senior Bond Interest Account and the Senior Bond Principal Account as described above, to increase the amount on deposit in the Reserve Fund and such other Debt Service Reserve Funds to an amount equal to the Reserve Fund Requirement for all Reserve Fund Participating Bonds Outstanding and the applicable Debt Service Reserve Fund Requirements, respectively (including such amounts required to reimburse draws on any Reserve Fund Insurance Policy), or if the entire balance is less than the amount necessary, then the entire balance is to be deposited into the Reserve Fund and the Debt Service Reserve Funds on a pro-rata basis with respect to the Outstanding principal amounts of the applicable Senior Bonds secured by the Reserve Fund and the other Debt Service Reserve Funds, and such amounts are to be used to reimburse draws on the applicable Reserve Fund Insurance Policy prior to replenishing the cash or Permitted Investments formerly on deposit therein (The Series 2022-A Bonds are not secured by the Reserve Fund or any other Debt Service Reserve Fund. See "—The Series 2022-A Bonds Are Not Secured by Any Debt Service Reserve Fund"); and

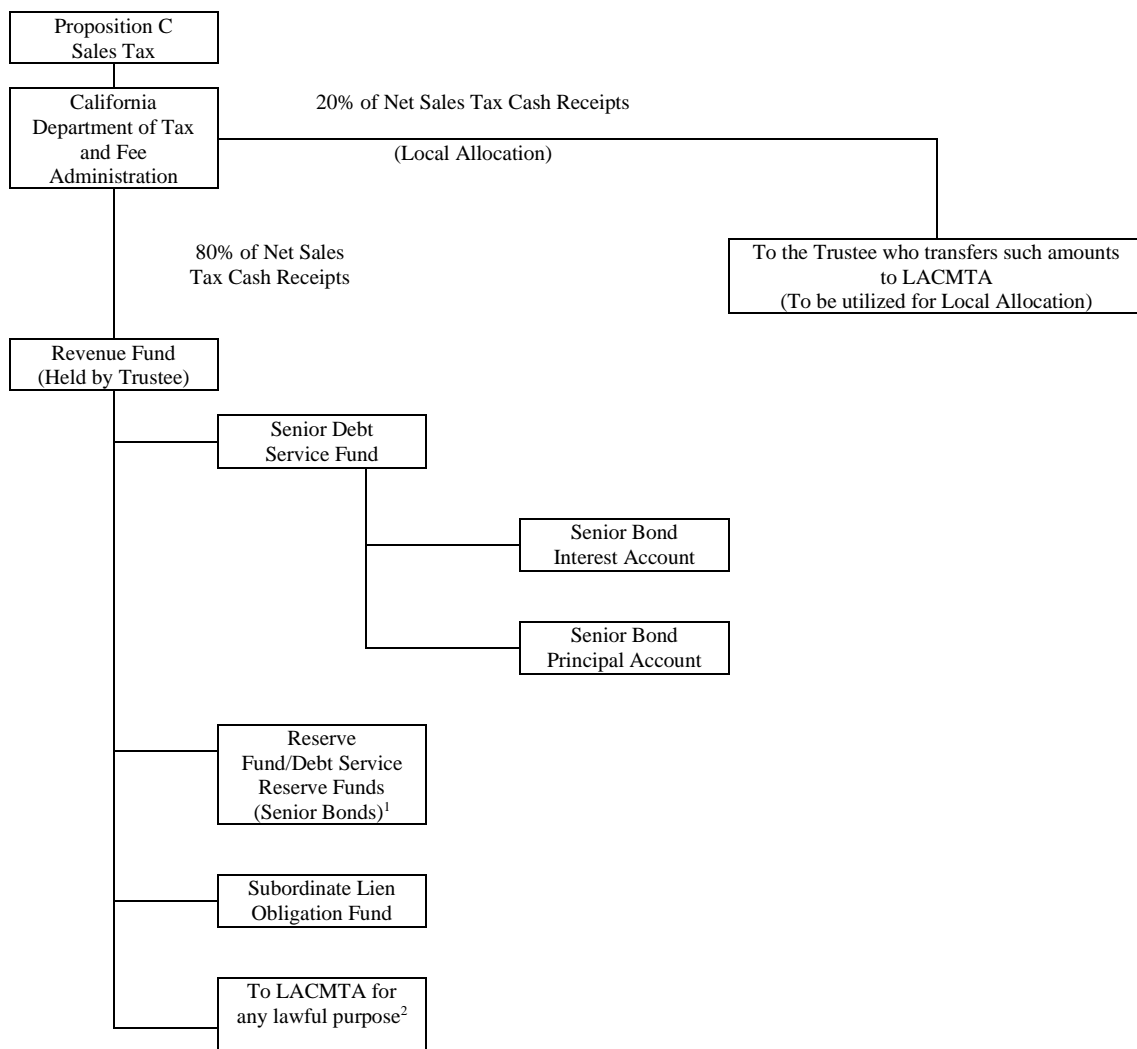
FOURTH, to the accounts in the Subordinate Lien Obligation Fund, amounts sufficient to pay the Subordinate Lien Obligations as further described in the Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, if there are insufficient Pledged Revenues in any Fiscal Year to make all of the foregoing deposits, such Pledged Revenues will be allocated to the accounts within the Subordinate Lien Obligation Fund on a pro rata basis based on the amounts required to be deposited therein during such Fiscal Year among all such Subordinate Lien Obligations issued or entered into on a parity basis and in accordance with the rank of the pledge created by such Subordinate Lien Obligations.

After setting aside amounts to be deposited in the Rebate Fund, any remaining funds will then be transferred to LACMTA and will be available to be used for any lawful purpose (including the payment of General Revenue Bonds), and will no longer be pledged to pay debt service on the Senior Bonds.

For additional information regarding withdrawals from the Revenue Fund, see “APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—TRUST AGREEMENT—Funds and Accounts.”

The following table provides a graphic presentation of the flow of funds for Proposition C Sales Tax cash receipts as of the date of issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

**TABLE 1**  
**Proposition C Sales Tax**  
**Flow of Funds**



<sup>1</sup> The Series 2022-A Bonds are not secured by the Reserve Fund or any other Debt Service Reserve Fund. See “—The Series 2022-A Bonds Are Not Secured by Any Debt Service Reserve Fund.”

<sup>2</sup> All remaining funds are transferred to LACMTA, are released from the lien established under the Trust Agreement, and are thereafter no longer Pledged Revenues under the Trust Agreement.

## **The Series 2022-A Bonds Are Not Secured by Any Debt Service Reserve Fund**

The Series 2022-A Bonds are not secured by the Reserve Fund or any other Debt Service Reserve Fund. At the time of issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds, only the outstanding Senior Bonds issued on or before June 15, 2016 will be secured by the Reserve Fund. See Table 5 under “PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS—Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt” for additional information on the Senior Bond secured by the Reserve Fund.

## **PROPOSITION C SALES TAX AND COLLECTIONS**

### **The Proposition C Sales Tax**

Under the California Public Utilities Code, LACMTA is authorized to adopt retail transactions and use tax ordinances applicable in the incorporated and unincorporated territory of the County in accordance with California’s Transaction and Use Tax Law (California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7251 et seq.), upon authorization by a specified percentage of the electors voting on the issue. In accordance with the County Transportation Commissions Act (Section 130000 et seq. of the California Public Utilities Code (the “Transportation Commissions Act”)), the Commission, the predecessor to LACMTA, on August 8, 1990, adopted Ordinance No. 49 (“Ordinance No. 49”) which imposed a retail transactions and use tax for public transit purposes. Ordinance No. 49 was submitted to the electors of the County in the form of Proposition C (“Proposition C”) and approved at an election held on November 6, 1990. Ordinance No. 49 imposes a tax, effective April 1, 1991, of ½ of 1% of the gross receipts of retailers from the sale of tangible personal property sold at retail in the County and a use tax at the same rate upon the storage, use or other consumption in the County of such property purchased from any retailer for storage, use or other consumption in the County, subject to certain limited exceptions. The retail transactions and use tax imposed by Ordinance No. 49 and approved by the voters with the passage of Proposition C is referred to in this Official Statement as the “Proposition C Sales Tax.” As approved by the voters, the Proposition C Sales Tax is not limited in duration. The validity of the Proposition C Sales Tax was upheld in 1992 by the California Court of Appeal in *Vernon v. State Board of Equalization*. See “LITIGATION.” See also “APPENDIX A—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY—LITIGATION.”

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Collection of the Proposition C Sales Tax is administered by CDTFA, which imposes a charge for administration. Such charge is based on the actual costs incurred by CDTFA in connection with the administration of the collection of the Proposition C Sales Tax. In accordance with Ordinance No. 49, LACMTA is required to allocate the proceeds of the Proposition C Sales Tax as follows:

**TABLE 2**  
**Allocation of Proposition C Sales Tax**

<u>Uses</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
To local jurisdictions for local transit based on population (Local Allocation)	20%
To LACMTA for construction and operation of the bus transit and rail system <sup>1</sup>	40
To LACMTA to expand rail and bus security	5
To LACMTA for commuter rail, construction of transit centers, park and ride lots and freeway bus stops	10
To LACMTA for transit related improvements to freeways and state highways	<u>25</u>
Total	<u>100%</u> <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to the Act of 1998 (as defined below) LACMTA is prohibited from spending Proposition C Sales Tax revenues on the costs of planning, design, construction or operation of any New Subway (as defined below), including debt service on bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued for such purposes after March 30, 1998. See “—Initiatives and Changes to Proposition C Sales Tax—The Act of 1998” below. The Act of 1998 does not prohibit the use of Measure R Sales Tax or Measure M Sales Tax to pay costs of planning, design, construction or operation of a New Subway.

<sup>2</sup> Up to 1.5% of the non-Local Allocation portion of the Proposition C Sales Tax revenues received by LACMTA may be used by LACMTA to pay administrative costs. Administrative costs are payable only from Proposition C Sales Tax revenues that have been released to LACMTA and are no longer Pledged Revenues. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Flow of Funds” above.

Source: LACMTA

CDTFA has agreed to remit the Proposition C Sale Tax receipts directly to the Trustee monthly after deducting CDTFA’s costs of administering the Proposition C Sales Tax. The Trustee immediately transfers the Local Allocation (20% of net Proposition C Sales Tax cash receipts) to LACMTA for disbursement. After application of the remaining amounts received from CDTFA (80% of net Proposition C Sales Tax receipts) to certain funds and accounts related to the Senior Bonds in accordance with the Agreement, the Trustee is required to transfer the remaining unapplied Proposition C Sales Tax revenues for deposit to the funds and accounts established and maintained for the Subordinate Lien Obligations. Any Proposition C Sales Tax revenues remaining after the deposits described above are released to LACMTA to be used by LACMTA first, if necessary, to pay debt service on the General Revenue Bonds, and second, for any lawful purposes (subject to the allocation requirements set forth in Ordinance No. 49). The Senior Bonds do not have a lien on and are not secured by any Proposition C Sales Tax revenues that are released by the Trustee and deposited to the funds and accounts established and maintained for the Subordinate Lien Obligations, or the General Revenue Bonds or transferred to LACMTA to be used for any lawful purposes of LACMTA.

The amount retained by CDTFA from collections of Proposition C Sales Tax is based on the total local entity cost reflected in the annual budget of the State, and includes direct, shared and central agency costs incurred by CDTFA. The amount retained by CDTFA is adjusted to account for the difference between CDTFA’s recovered costs and its actual costs during the prior two Fiscal Years. For Fiscal Years 2017 through 2021, CDTFA’s fee for administering the Proposition C Sales Tax was as follows:

<b>Fiscal Year Ended (June 30)</b>	<b>Fee (\$'s in millions)</b>	<b>Percentage of Proposition C Sales Tax Receipts</b>
2017	\$9.2	1.2%
2018	8.7	1.1
2019	8.9	1.0
2020	9.2	1.1
2021	7.1	0.8

Source: LACMTA

CDTFA has advised LACMTA that its fee for Fiscal Year 2022 is estimated to be \$8.7 million. LACMTA assumes that the CDTFA fee may increase incrementally each year. CDTFA can change the fee at its discretion in the future.

Under the Agreement, LACMTA covenants that (a) it will not take any action which will have a material adverse effect upon the Pledged Revenues or the pledge thereof under the Agreement, or the rights of the Owners of the Senior Bonds, including the Series 2022-A Bonds; and (b) it will be unconditionally and irrevocably obligated, so long as any of the Senior Bonds, including the Series 2022-A Bonds, are outstanding and unpaid, to take all lawful action necessary or required to continue to entitle LACMTA to receive the Pledged Revenues at the same rates as provided by law (as of October 1, 1992), to pay from the Pledged Revenues the principal of and interest on the Senior Bonds and to make the other payments provided for in the Agreement.

Under the Act, the State pledges to, and agrees with, the holders of any bonds issued under the Act and with those parties who may enter into contracts with LACMTA pursuant to the Act that the State will not limit or alter the rights vested by the Act in LACMTA until such bonds, together with the interest thereon, are fully met and discharged and the contracts are fully performed on the part of LACMTA. However, the State is not precluded from limiting or altering rights if and when adequate provision has been made by law for the protection of the bondholders or those entering into contracts with LACMTA. Further, such pledge and agreement does not preclude the State from changing the transactions and items subject to the statewide general sales tax and concurrently thereby altering the amount of Proposition C Sales Tax collected. See “RISK FACTORS—California State Legislature or Electorate or Federal Law May Change Items Subject to Proposition C Sales Tax.”

The ½ of 1% Proposition C Sales Tax imposed by LACMTA in the County is in addition to the general sales tax levied statewide by the State (currently 7.25%), the ½ of 1% sales tax imposed by LACMTA pursuant to Ordinance No. 16 of the Commission known as “Proposition A” (such sales tax is referred to herein as the “Proposition A Sales Tax”), the 30-year ½ of 1% sales tax approved by County voters in November 2008 to fund LACMTA transportation projects and operations known as the “Measure R Sales Tax,” the ½ of 1% (increasing to 1% upon the expiration of the Measure R Sales Tax) sales tax approved by County voters in November 2016 to fund LACMTA transportation projects and operations known as the “Measure M Sales Tax,” the 10-year ¼ of 1% sales tax approved by County voters in March 2017 to fund programs to assist the County’s homeless population known as “Measure H Sales Tax,” and the taxes that apply only within certain cities in the County. The cities of Avalon, Downey, El Monte, Inglewood and La Puente in the County have each enacted a sales tax of ½ of 1% applicable to transactions within their respective city limits. The cities of Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Burbank, Carson, Commerce, Covina, Cudahy, Culver City, Duarte, Gardena, Glendale, Glendora, Hawaiian Gardens, Hawthorne, Huntington Park, Irwindale, La Verne, Lakewood, Lancaster, Lawndale,

Lomita, Monrovia, Montebello, Norwalk, Palmdale, Paramount, Pasadena, Pomona, San Fernando, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre, Signal Hill, Vernon, West Hollywood and Whittier in the County have each enacted a sales tax of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of 1% applicable to transactions within their respective city limits. The cities of Compton, Long Beach, Lynwood, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Santa Monica and South Gate in the County have each enacted a sales tax of 1% applicable to transactions within the city's limits. The combined various sales taxes described above results in (a) transactions within the County, and outside the cities of Avalon, Downey, El Monte, Inglewood, La Puente, Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Burbank, Carson, Commerce, Covina, Cudahy, Culver City, Duarte, Gardena, Glendale, Glendora, Hawaiian Gardens, Hawthorne, Huntington Park, Irwindale, La Verne, Lakewood, Lancaster, Lawndale, Lomita, Monrovia, Montebello, Norwalk, Palmdale, Paramount, Pasadena, Pomona, San Fernando, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre, Signal Hill, Vernon, West Hollywood, Whittier, Compton, Long Beach, Lynwood, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, Santa Monica and South Gate currently being taxed at an effective rate of 9.50%, (b) transactions within the cities of Avalon, Downey, El Monte, Inglewood and La Puente currently being taxed at an effective rate of 10.00%, (c) transactions within the cities of Alhambra, Arcadia, Azusa, Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Burbank, Carson, Commerce, Covina, Cudahy, Culver City, Duarte, Gardena, Glendale, Glendora, Hawaiian Gardens, Hawthorne, Huntington Park, Irwindale, La Verne, Lakewood, Lancaster, Lawndale, Lomita, Monrovia, Montebello, Norwalk, Palmdale, Paramount, Pasadena, Pomona, San Fernando, San Gabriel, Sierra Madre, Signal Hill, Vernon, West Hollywood, Whittier, Compton, Long Beach, Lynwood, Pico Rivera, Santa Monica and South Gate currently being taxed at an effective rate of 10.25%, and (d) transactions within the city of Santa Fe Springs currently being taxed at an effective rate of 10.50% (the Measure H Sales Tax does not apply to transactions in Compton, Long Beach, Lynwood, Pico Rivera, Santa Monica and South Gate because in those cities the sales tax is already at the maximum allowed by law). These tax rates and the items subject to the Proposition C Sales Tax are subject to change. See "RISK FACTORS—California State Legislature or Electorate or Federal Law May Change Items Subject to Proposition C Sales Tax" and "—Increases in Sales Tax Rate May Cause Declines in Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues." See also "APPENDIX A—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY—OUTSTANDING DEBT."

### **Initiatives and Changes to Proposition C Sales Tax**

**Proposition 218.** In 1996, the voters of the State approved Proposition 218, known as the "Right to Vote on Taxes Act." Proposition 218 added Articles XIIC and XIID to the California State Constitution. Among other things, Article XIIC removes limitations, if any, that exist on the initiative power in matters of local taxes, assessments, fees and charges. Even though LACMTA's enabling legislation did not limit the initiative power of the electorate prior to Proposition 218, Proposition 218 has affirmed the right of the voters to propose initiatives that could impact the Proposition C Sales Tax.

**The Act of 1998.** One such initiative was approved by the voters of the County in 1998 in the form of the "Metropolitan Transportation Authority Reform and Accountability Act of 1998" (the "Act of 1998"). The Act of 1998 prohibits the use of Proposition C Sales Tax and Proposition A Sales Tax (but not the use of Measure R Sales Tax or Measure M Sales Tax) to pay any costs of planning, design, construction or operation of any "New Subway," including debt service on bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued for such purposes after March 30, 1998. "New Subway" is defined in the Act of 1998 to mean any rail line which is in a tunnel below the grade level of the earth's surface (including any extension or operating segment thereof), except for Segment 1, Segment 2 and Segment 3 (North Hollywood) of the Red Line. The Act of 1998 does not limit the use of Proposition C Sales Tax or Proposition A Sales Tax revenues to provide public mass transit improvements to railroad right of ways. The Act of 1998 does not limit in any way the collection of the Proposition C Sales Tax or the Proposition A Sales Tax; it only limits the uses of such taxes. LACMTA believes that the proceeds of all obligations previously issued by LACMTA which are secured by the Proposition C Sales Tax and/or the Proposition A Sales Tax have been used for permitted purposes under the Act of 1998. **Therefore, the Act of 1998**

**has no effect on LACMTA’s ability to continue to use the Proposition C Sales Tax or the Proposition A Sales Tax to secure payment of its outstanding obligations secured by the Proposition C Sales Tax or the Proposition A Sales Tax. Additionally, LACMTA will covenant not to use the proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds in a manner inconsistent with the provisions of the Act of 1998, and the Act of 1998 will not limit the ability of LACMTA to secure payment of the Series 2022-A Bonds with a pledge of the Proposition C Sales Tax.**

As required by the Act of 1998, LACMTA contracted with an independent auditor to complete an audit with respect to the receipt and expenditure of Proposition A Sales Tax and Proposition C Sales Tax between the effective dates of Proposition A and Proposition C and June 30, 1998. The independent auditor completed the audit in November 1999. The Act of 1998 further requires LACMTA to contract for an independent audit each subsequent Fiscal Year to determine LACMTA’s compliance with the provisions of Proposition A, Proposition C and the Act of 1998 relating to the receipt and expenditure of Proposition A Sales Tax revenues and Proposition C Sales Tax revenues. For Fiscal Years 1999 through 2021, the independent auditors determined that LACMTA was in compliance with Proposition A, Proposition C and the Act of 1998 for each such respective Fiscal Year (the “Annual Act of 1998 Audit”).

In connection with each Annual Act of 1998 Audit, the independent auditor annually audits how LACMTA spends Proposition C Sales Tax revenues during the related Fiscal Year to ensure that it spends those revenues for the categories of use set forth in Proposition C. See “—The Proposition C Sales Tax” above. Each Fiscal Year, a substantial portion of the Proposition C Sales Tax revenues are spent on the payment of principal of and interest on the Senior Bonds. See “COMBINED SENIOR BONDS DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE.” For purposes of determining LACMTA’s compliance with the categories of use set forth in Proposition C, LACMTA allocates the annual payments of principal and interest with respect to each series of Senior Bonds to the categories of use for which such series of Senior Bonds financed or refinanced.

The Act of 1998 also established the “Independent Citizens’ Advisory and Oversight Committee” (the “Committee”) whose responsibilities include reviewing LACMTA’s annual audit of its receipt and expenditure of Proposition C Sales Tax and Proposition A Sales Tax, the holding of public hearings regarding the annual audit and issuing reports based upon those audits and public hearings. The Committee is made up of five members, of which one member is appointed by the chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, one member is appointed by the chair of the Board, one member is appointed by the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, one member is appointed by the Mayor of the City of Long Beach, and one member is appointed by the Mayor of the City of Pasadena.

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## Historical Proposition C Sales Tax Collections

The following table presents, among other things, collections of net Proposition C Sales Tax revenues and corresponding Pledged Revenues and Senior Bonds debt service coverage ratios for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2012 through June 30, 2021.

**TABLE 3**  
**Historical Net Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues,**  
**Local Allocations, Pledged Revenues and Debt Service Coverage**  
**(Dollars in Millions)<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>Net Sales Tax Revenue</b>	<b>Annual Percentage Change</b>	<b>Allocations to Local Governments</b>	<b>Pledged Revenues<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Senior Bonds Debt Service Coverage<sup>3</sup></b>
2012	\$648.8	7.78%	\$129.8	\$519.0	4.62x
2013	687.3	5.94	137.5	549.9	4.81
2014 <sup>4</sup>	717.2	4.34	143.4	573.7	4.46
2015	745.6	3.96	149.1	596.5	4.40
2016	763.6	2.41	152.7	610.9	4.52
2017	789.3	3.37	157.9	631.4	4.44
2018	836.5	5.98	167.3	669.2	4.06 <sup>5</sup>
2019	846.5	1.20	169.3	677.2	4.06
2020	824.6	(2.59)	164.9	659.7	3.58 <sup>6</sup>
2021	911.3	10.51	182.3	729.0	4.23

<sup>1</sup> Reflects Proposition C Sales Tax revenues, reported according to accrual basis accounting, as presented in LACMTA's audited financial statements, less the administrative fee paid to CDTFA but before required allocations to local governments for transit purposes. Rounded to the closest \$100,000.

<sup>2</sup> Proposition C Sales Tax receipts for the Fiscal Years shown, reported according to accrual basis accounting, less required allocations to local governments for transit purposes and less the administrative fee paid to CDTFA.

<sup>3</sup> Based on Senior Bonds debt service for the 12 months ending the immediately following July 1.

<sup>4</sup> LACMTA's Fiscal Year 2014 audited financial statements include an increase in Proposition C Sales Tax revenues and Pledged Revenues of \$61.4 million due to an accounting accrual adjustment resulting in a one-time increase to the reported amount. Amounts shown for Fiscal Year 2014 in this Table 3 are reported and calculated excluding the \$61.4 million accounting accrual adjustment.

<sup>5</sup> The decrease in coverage from Fiscal Year 2017 reflects the issuance of \$454.8 million of LACMTA's Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2017-A in Fiscal Year 2017.

<sup>6</sup> Coverage in Fiscal Year 2020 decreased because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting economic shut-down that began in March 2020. See "INTRODUCTION—Impact of Global COVID-10 Outbreak."

Source: LACMTA

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The following table sets forth the amount of Proposition C Sales Tax receipts, on a cash basis, received for the most recent nine quarters and the changes in such amounts from the corresponding period in the prior year. Proposition C Sales Tax receipts, on a cash basis for a quarterly period, are determined by Proposition C Sales Tax revenues generated by sales activity generally occurring in the previous quarter, less any amount previously advanced, plus an advance for the first month of the next quarter. For example, for the quarter ending March 31, 2022, reported according to cash basis accounting, Proposition C Sales Tax receipts were approximately \$279.7 million, which receipts generally represented sales activity occurring in October, November and December 2021, less the advances previously received for those quarterly sales, plus an advance for January 2022 sales (received in March).

**TABLE 4**  
**Selected Actual Proposition C Sales Tax Receipts Information**  
(values are cash basis)

<u>Quarter Ended</u>	<u>Quarterly Receipts (\$ millions)</u>	<u>Change from Same Period of Prior Year</u>	<u>Rolling 12 Months Receipts (\$ millions)</u>	<u>Change from Same Period of Prior Year</u>
March 31, 2022	\$279.7 <sup>1</sup>	30.5%	\$1,041.6	30.2%
December 31, 2021	262.7 <sup>1</sup>	24.3	976.3	19.3
September 30, 2021	268.3 <sup>1</sup>	26.2	925.0	11.5
June 30, 2021	230.8 <sup>1</sup>	43.1	869.3	3.9
March 31, 2021	214.4 <sup>2</sup>	(8.0)	799.7	(8.9)
December 31, 2020	211.4 <sup>2</sup>	(5.0)	818.3	(5.8)
September 30, 2020	212.6 <sup>2</sup>	(3.3)	829.4	(3.7)
June 30, 2020	161.3 <sup>2</sup>	(20.3)	836.7	(3.4)
March 31, 2020	233.0	3.9	877.9	3.0

<sup>1</sup> Proposition C Sales Tax receipts began to recover after March 31, 2021 as COVID-19 vaccines became more widely available and restrictions on businesses were phased out. See “INTRODUCTION—Impact of Global COVID-10 Outbreak.”

<sup>2</sup> Proposition C Sales Tax receipts decreased between March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2021 because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting economic shut-down that began in March 2020. See “INTRODUCTION—Impact of Global COVID-10 Outbreak.”

Source: LACMTA

Proposition C Sales Tax receipts fluctuate based on general economic conditions within the County. To project future Proposition C Sales Tax receipts for budgetary purposes, LACMTA relies on reports from local economists and other publicly available sources of data. LACMTA does not itself develop forecasts of current or future economic conditions. Furthermore, CDTFA does not provide LACMTA with any forecasts of Proposition C Sales Tax receipts for future periods. Therefore, LACMTA is unable to predict with certainty future levels of Proposition C Sales Tax receipts. See “RISK FACTORS—Economic Factors May Cause Declines in Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues” above. Also see “INTRODUCTION—Impact of Global COVID-19 Outbreak.”

## PROPOSITION C SALES TAX OBLIGATIONS

### General

LACMTA has two priority levels of obligations secured by the Proposition C Sales Tax: its Senior Bonds (which includes the Series 2022-A Bonds) and Senior Parity Debt, and its Subordinate Lien

Obligations. In addition, LACMTA has incurred other obligations, which are secured by certain “remaining” Proposition C Sales Tax cash receipts. See “—Other Obligations” below.

### Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Debt

**Senior Bonds.** LACMTA had the following Senior Bonds outstanding as of May 1, 2022, all of which are fixed rate bonds:

**TABLE 5**  
**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority**  
**Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Senior Bonds**  
**(Outstanding as of May 1, 2022)**

Senior Bonds	Outstanding Principal Amount
Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2021-A	\$ 321,905,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2020-A	28,265,000
Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2019-A (Green Bonds)	418,575,000
Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2019-B	126,425,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2019-C	36,625,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2018-A	27,990,000
Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2017-A	413,775,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2016-A <sup>1</sup>	62,210,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2014-A <sup>1</sup>	61,180,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2013-A <sup>1</sup>	33,170,000
Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2013-B <sup>1</sup>	253,005,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2013-C <sup>1</sup>	31,090,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2012-A <sup>1,2</sup>	14,635,000
Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2012-B <sup>1,2</sup>	52,110,000
Total	<u>\$1,880,960,000</u>

<sup>1</sup> Secured by Reserve Fund.

<sup>2</sup> Upon the issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds, all or a portion of the Series 2012-A Bonds and/or the Series 2012-B Bonds will be refunded and defeased. See “PLAN OF REFUNDING AND APPLICATION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BOND PROCEEDS—Use of Proceeds; Plan of Refunding.”

Source: LACMTA

LACMTA may issue additional Senior Bonds upon the satisfaction of certain conditions contained in the Agreement. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—*Senior Obligations*.” See “FUTURE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS—Capital Planning” in APPENDIX A for a discussion of the Short Range Financial Forecast and LACMTA’s expectation that it will issue additional Senior Bonds in the future to finance certain transit projects.

**Senior Parity Debt.** “Senior Parity Debt” would consist of indebtedness, installment sale obligations, lease obligations or other obligations for borrowed money, or payment obligations under interest swaps or other arrangements having an equal lien and charge upon Pledged Revenues and payable on parity with the Senior Bonds. LACMTA currently has no Senior Parity Debt outstanding. LACMTA may incur Senior Parity Debt upon the satisfaction of certain additional bonds tests. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—*Senior Obligations*.” Also see “APPENDIX D—SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS—THE TRUST AGREEMENT—Additional Senior Bonds.”

## Subordinate Lien Obligations

**Proposition C Revolving Obligations.** On June 9, 1993, the Board of Directors of LACMTA authorized the issuance of Subordinate Lien Obligations (in the form of bonds, commercial paper notes and other obligations) that may be outstanding, at any one time, in a principal amount not to exceed \$150,000,000. The Subordinate Lien Obligations are payable from and secured by Net Pledged Revenues. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—*Subordinate Lien Obligations*.” LACMTA is currently authorized to issue, from time to time, and have outstanding, at any one time, up to \$150,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Subordinate Lien Obligations in the form of Subordinate Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Revolving Obligations (the “Proposition C Revolving Obligations”). As of May 1, 2022, LACMTA had \$30 million in aggregate principal amount of the Proposition C Revolving Obligations outstanding. LACMTA expects to issue additional Proposition C Revolving Obligations in the future.

All Proposition C Revolving Obligations issued by LACMTA are currently purchased by Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, in accordance with the terms of a revolving credit agreement (the “Proposition C Revolving Credit Agreement”). The Proposition C Revolving Obligations bear interest at variable rates determined pursuant to the terms of the Proposition C Revolving Credit Agreement.

The following table sets forth certain terms of the Proposition C Revolving Obligations.

### Proposition C Revolving Obligations<sup>1</sup>

<b>Revolving Obligations Bank</b>	Wells Fargo Bank, National Association
<b>Principal Amount</b>	[\$150,000,000]
<b>Expiration/Maturity Date</b>	July 22, 2022 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> On or about June 1, 2022, LACMTA expects to replace the revolving credit agreement currently provided by Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, with a revolving credit agreement provided by Bank of the West. The revolving credit agreement expected to be provided by Bank of the West will be in the principal amount of \$150 million and will have an expiration/maturity date of [June 1, 2025].

<sup>2</sup> Can be converted to a term loan payable in equal quarterly installments beginning nine months after the Expiration/Maturity Date and ending five years after the Expiration/Maturity Date if specified conditions are satisfied.

## Other Obligations

**General Revenue Bonds.** As of May 1, 2022, there was \$61,370,000 aggregate principal amount of LACMTA’s General Revenue Refunding Bonds (Union Station Gateway Project), Series 2015 (the “General Revenue Bonds”) outstanding. The General Revenue Bonds are secured by a pledge of farebox revenues, fee and advertising revenues (collectively, “General Revenues”) and Proposition A Sales Tax and Proposition C Sales Tax revenues that remain after the application of those revenues to the payment of principal and interest on certain Proposition A Sales Tax-secured obligations, in the case of the Proposition A Sales Tax, and the Senior Bonds (including the Series 2022-A Bonds), any Senior Parity Debt and the Subordinate Lien Obligations (including the Proposition C Revolving Obligations), in the case of the Proposition C Sales Tax. LACMTA’s obligation to pay principal of and interest on the General Revenue Bonds is secured by a lien on Proposition C Sales Tax that is junior and subordinate to the Senior Bonds (including the Series 2022-A Bonds), any Senior Parity Debt and the Subordinate Lien Obligations (including the Proposition C Revolving Obligations) as to the lien on and source and security for payment

from Pledged Revenues. See “APPENDIX A—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY—TRANSPORTATION SERVICES—Fareless System Initiative” for a discussion of a pilot program instituted by LACMTA that eliminates the collection of fares on LACMTA’s bus and rail transit system for K-12 and community college students that attend schools in districts that have agreed to participate in the pilot program.

### **Policy Limits on Additional Bonds**

Besides the limitations of the additional bonds test noted above under “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations—Senior Obligations,” the Board-adopted debt policy sets additional limits on the amount of debt secured by the Proposition C Sales Tax that can be issued. This debt policy is reviewed periodically, and sets limits on debt service as a percentage of the use of sales tax revenues for certain allocations of expenditures as set forth in Ordinance No. 49, which levied the tax. These limits are intended to ensure that LACMTA will be able to continue providing essential operational services while planning for replacement, rehabilitation and expansion of capital investments. Under its current debt policy, debt service on LACMTA obligations is limited to 43.75% of its share of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues, which would require a minimum of 2.28 times coverage of debt service. LACMTA annually monitors its compliance with its debt policy limits. LACMTA’s Board is not obligated to maintain its current debt policy and may modify it to allow the issuance of a greater amount of debt secured by the Proposition C Sales Tax in the future.

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**COMBINED SENIOR BONDS DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE**

The following table shows the combined debt service requirements on LACMTA’s Senior Bonds (including the Refunded Bonds).

**TABLE 6  
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Combined Proposition C Debt Service Schedule  
Senior Bonds<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Bond Years Ending July 1</b>	<b>Previously Issued Senior Bonds Debt Service<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Series 2022-A Bonds Debt Service</b>			<b>Combined Total Debt Service Senior Bonds</b>
		<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total Debt Service</b>	
2022	\$ 191,320,035				
2023	187,330,075				
2024	162,680,075				
2025	162,638,125				
2026	147,711,625				
2027	147,769,375				
2028	147,768,325				
2029	140,065,294				
2030	138,591,794				
2031	130,203,944				
2032	130,714,444				
2033	130,721,444				
2034	130,719,694				
2035	121,249,944				
2036	121,250,444				
2037	120,735,694				
2038	120,738,725				
2039	98,527,500				
2040	98,530,750				
2041	98,528,000				
2042	98,530,250				
2043	66,257,500				
2044	66,258,250				
2045	23,863,750				
2046	<u>23,866,500</u>				
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$<u>3,006,571,556</u></b>				

<sup>1</sup> Totals may not add due to rounding.

<sup>2</sup> Includes debt service on the Refunded Bonds. See “PLAN OF REFUNDING AND APPLICATION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BOND PROCEEDS—Use of Proceeds; Plan of Refunding.”

Source: LACMTA and Public Resources Advisory Group

**LITIGATION**

There is no litigation pending or, to the knowledge of LACMTA, threatened, against LACMTA in any way questioning or affecting the validity of the Series 2022-A Bonds, the imposition and collection of the Proposition C Sales Tax or the pledge of the Pledged Revenues. On March 3, 1992, the California

Court of Appeal, in *Vernon v. State Board of Equalization*, upheld the validity of the Proposition C Sales Tax. Various claims of other types have been asserted against LACMTA. In the opinion of LACMTA, none of such pending claims will materially or adversely affect LACMTA's ability to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds. See "APPENDIX A—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY—LITIGATION"

## **LEGAL MATTERS**

The validity of the Series 2022-A Bonds and certain other legal matters are subject to the approving opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to LACMTA. The proposed form of the opinion to be delivered by Bond Counsel is attached hereto as APPENDIX E. Bond Counsel undertakes no responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of this Official Statement. The Los Angeles County Counsel, as General Counsel to LACMTA, and Kutak Rock LLP, as Disclosure Counsel, will pass on certain legal matters for LACMTA. Certain legal matters will be passed upon for the Underwriters by their counsel [●].

## **TAX MATTERS**

### **Opinion of Bond Counsel**

In the opinion of Hawkins Delafield & Wood LLP, Bond Counsel to LACMTA, under existing statutes and court decisions and assuming continuing compliance with certain tax covenants described herein, (i) interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (ii) interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds is not treated as a preference item in calculating the alternative minimum tax under the Code. In rendering its opinion, Bond Counsel has relied on certain representations, certifications of fact, and statements of reasonable expectations made by LACMTA in connection with the Series 2022-A Bonds, and Bond Counsel has assumed compliance by LACMTA with certain ongoing covenants to comply with applicable requirements of the Code to assure the exclusion of interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

In addition, in the opinion of Bond Counsel to LACMTA, under existing statutes, interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds is exempt from personal income taxes imposed by the State.

Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to any other federal, state or local tax consequences arising with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds, or the ownership or disposition thereof, except as stated above. Bond Counsel renders its opinion under existing statutes and court decisions as of the issue date, and assumes no obligation to update, revise or supplement its opinion to reflect any action thereafter taken or not taken, any fact or circumstance that may thereafter come to its attention, any change in law or interpretation thereof that may thereafter occur, or for any other reason. Bond Counsel expresses no opinion as to the consequence of any of the events described in the preceding sentence or the likelihood of their occurrence. In addition, Bond Counsel expresses no opinion on the effect of any action taken or not taken in reliance upon an opinion of other counsel regarding federal, state or local tax matters, including, without limitation, exclusion from gross income for federal income tax purposes of interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.

### **Certain Ongoing Federal Tax Requirements and Covenants**

The Code establishes certain ongoing requirements that must be met subsequent to the issuance and delivery of the Series 2022-A Bonds in order that interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds be and remain excluded from gross income under Section 103 of the Code. These requirements include, but are not limited

to, requirements relating to use and expenditure of gross proceeds of the Series 2022-A Bonds, yield and other restrictions on investments of gross proceeds, and the arbitrage rebate requirement that certain excess earnings on gross proceeds be rebated to the federal government. Noncompliance with such requirements may cause interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds to become included in gross income for federal income tax purposes retroactive to their issue date, irrespective of the date on which such noncompliance occurs or is discovered. LACMTA has covenanted to comply with certain applicable requirements of the Code to assure the exclusion of interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds from gross income under Section 103 of the Code.

### **Certain Collateral Federal Tax Consequences**

The following is a brief discussion of certain collateral federal income tax matters with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds. It does not purport to address all aspects of federal taxation that may be relevant to a particular owner of a Series 2022-A Bond. Prospective investors, particularly those who may be subject to special rules, are advised to consult their own tax advisors regarding the federal tax consequences of owning and disposing of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

Prospective owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds should be aware that the ownership of such obligations may result in collateral federal income tax consequences to various categories of persons, such as corporations (including S corporations and foreign corporations), financial institutions, property and casualty and life insurance companies, individual recipients of Social Security and railroad retirement benefits, individuals otherwise eligible for the earned income tax credit, and taxpayers deemed to have incurred or continued indebtedness to purchase or carry obligations the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds may be taken into account in determining the tax liability of foreign corporations subject to the branch profits tax imposed by Section 884 of the Code.

### **Bond Premium**

In general, if an owner acquires a bond for a purchase price (excluding accrued interest) or otherwise at a tax basis that reflects a premium over the sum of all amounts payable on the bond after the acquisition date (excluding certain “qualified stated interest” that is unconditionally payable at least annually at prescribed rates), that premium constitutes “bond premium” on that bond (a “Premium Bond”). In general, under Section 171 of the Code, an owner of a Premium Bond must amortize the bond premium over the remaining term of the Premium Bond, based on the owner’s yield over the remaining term of the Premium Bond determined based on constant yield principles (in certain cases involving a Premium Bond callable prior to its stated maturity date, the amortization period and yield may be required to be determined on the basis of an earlier call date that results in the lowest yield on such bond). An owner of a Premium Bond must amortize the bond premium by offsetting the qualified stated interest allocable to each interest accrual period under the owner’s regular method of accounting against the bond premium allocable to that period. In the case of a tax-exempt Premium Bond, if the bond premium allocable to an accrual period exceeds the qualified stated interest allocable to that accrual period, the excess is a nondeductible loss. Under certain circumstances, the owner of a Premium Bond may realize a taxable gain upon disposition of the Premium Bond even though it is sold or redeemed for an amount less than or equal to the owner’s original acquisition cost. Owners of any Premium Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the treatment of bond premium for federal income tax purposes, including various special rules relating thereto, and state and local tax consequences, in connection with the acquisition, ownership, amortization of bond premium on, sale, exchange, or other disposition of Premium Bonds.

## **Information Reporting and Backup Withholding**

Information reporting requirements apply to interest paid on tax-exempt obligations, including the Series 2022-A Bonds. In general, such requirements are satisfied if the interest recipient completes, and provides the payor with, a Form W-9, “Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification,” or if the recipient is one of a limited class of exempt recipients. A recipient not otherwise exempt from information reporting who fails to satisfy the information reporting requirements will be subject to “backup withholding,” which means that the payor is required to deduct and withhold a tax from the interest payment, calculated in the manner set forth in the Code. For the foregoing purpose, a “payor” generally refers to the person or entity from whom a recipient receives its payments of interest or who collects such payments on behalf of the recipient.

If an owner purchasing a Series 2022-A Bond through a brokerage account has executed a Form W-9 in connection with the establishment of such account, as generally can be expected, no backup withholding should occur. In any event, backup withholding does not affect the excludability of the interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any amounts withheld pursuant to backup withholding would be allowed as a refund or a credit against the owner’s federal income tax once the required information is furnished to the Internal Revenue Service.

## **Miscellaneous**

Tax legislation, administrative actions taken by tax authorities, or court decisions, whether at the federal or state level, may adversely affect the tax-exempt status of interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds under federal or state law or otherwise prevent beneficial owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds from realizing the full current benefit of the tax status of such interest. In addition, such legislation or actions (whether currently proposed, proposed in the future, or enacted) and such decisions could affect the market price or marketability of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

Prospective purchasers of the Series 2022-A Bonds should consult their own tax advisors regarding the foregoing matters.

## **MUNICIPAL ADVISOR**

LACMTA has retained Public Resources Advisory Group, as Municipal Advisor (the “Municipal Advisor”) for the sale of the Series 2022-A Bonds. The Municipal Advisor is not obligated to undertake, and has not undertaken to make, an independent verification, or to assume responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the information contained in this Official Statement.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements of LACMTA for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2021 and the Management’s Discussion and Analysis and certain supplementary information, and the Independent Auditors’ Report of Crowe LLP, independent accountants, dated December 23, 2021 (collectively, the “2021 Financial Statements”) are included as “APPENDIX B—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021.” The 2021 Financial Statements, included in this Official Statement, have been audited by Crowe LLP, independent accountants, as stated in their Report appearing in APPENDIX B. LACMTA has not requested, nor has Crowe LLP given, Crowe LLP’s consent to the inclusion in APPENDIX B of its Report on such 2021 Financial Statements. In addition, Crowe LLP has not performed any post-audit review of the financial condition of LACMTA and has not reviewed this Official Statement.



## **CERTAIN ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

Certain economic and demographic information about the County is included in “APPENDIX C—LOS ANGELES COUNTY ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION.” The economic and demographic information provided has been collected from sources that LACMTA considers to be reliable. Because it is difficult to obtain timely economic and demographic information, the economic condition of the County may not be fully apparent in all of the publicly available local and regional economic statistics provided herein. In particular, the economic statistics provided herein may not fully capture the impact of current economic conditions.

## **VERIFICATION OF MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS**

Robert Thomas CPA, LLC, will verify, from the information provided to them, the mathematical accuracy of the computations contained in the provided schedules to determine that the amounts to be held in the Escrow Accounts will be sufficient to pay the principal and redemption price of and interest on the Refunded Bonds on July 1, 2022. Robert Thomas CPA, LLC will express no opinion on the assumptions provided to them, nor as to the exemption from taxation of the interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds.

## **CONTINUING DISCLOSURE**

At the time of issuance of the Series 2022-A Bonds, LACMTA will execute a Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the “Continuing Disclosure Certificate”), which will provide for disclosure obligations on the part of LACMTA. Under the Continuing Disclosure Certificate, LACMTA will covenant for the benefit of Owners and Beneficial Owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds to provide certain financial information and operating data relating to LACMTA (the “Annual Reports”) by not later than 195 days after the end of the prior Fiscal Year (resulting in a deadline of January 11 of each year), and to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events (the “Listed Events”). The Annual Reports and the notices of Listed Events will be filed with the MSRB through its EMMA System. See “APPENDIX F—FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE.” LACMTA has become aware that some information that was made available in a timely manner on the EMMA System pursuant to LACMTA’s continuing disclosure obligations was not linked to the CUSIP numbers for all affected series of bonds. LACMTA has corrected this issue. In addition, LACMTA has also become aware that the Trustee did not file a notice with respect to a defeasance that occurred in 2018 until 24 days after the defeasance occurred. Lastly, LACMTA has become aware that in a few instances, notices of changes in ratings on some of its bonds were not filed in a timely manner. LACMTA has made corrective filings regarding these ratings changes.

## **UNDERWRITING**

The Series 2022-A Bonds will be purchased by [•] (collectively, the “Underwriters”), from LACMTA at a price of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (which represents the par amount of the Series 2022-A Bonds, plus an original issue premium of \$\_\_\_\_\_, less an original issue discount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, less an underwriters’ discount of \$\_\_\_\_\_), subject to the terms of a purchase contract (the “Purchase Contract”), between [•], as representative of the Underwriters, and LACMTA.

The Purchase Contract provides that the Underwriters will purchase all of the Series 2022-A Bonds if any are purchased, and that the obligation to make such purchase is subject to certain terms and conditions set forth in the Purchase Contract, the approval of certain legal matters by counsel, and certain other conditions. The initial public offering prices of the Series 2022-A Bonds set forth on the inside front cover hereof may be changed from time to time by the Underwriters. The Underwriters may offer and sell the

Series 2022-A Bonds into unit investment trusts or money market funds at prices lower than the public offering prices stated on the inside front cover hereof.

The Underwriters and their respective affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. Certain of the Underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various investment banking services for LACMTA, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In the ordinary course of their various business activities, the Underwriters and their respective affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (which may include bank loans, credit cards and/or credit default swaps) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers and may at any time hold long and short positions in such securities and instruments. Such investment and securities activities may involve assets, securities and/or instruments of LACMTA. The Underwriters and their respective affiliates may also communicate independent investment recommendations, market color or trading ideas and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such assets, securities and/or instruments and may at any time hold, or recommend to clients that they should acquire, long and/or short positions in such assets, securities and/or instruments.

## **RATINGS**

Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's") has assigned a rating of "[•]" ([•] outlook) and S&P Global Ratings ("S&P") has assigned a rating of "[•]" ([•] outlook) to the Series 2022-A Bonds. Such credit ratings reflect only the views of such organizations and any desired explanation of the meaning and significance of such credit ratings, including the methodology used and any outlook thereon, should be obtained from the rating agency furnishing the same, at the following addresses: Moody's, 7 World Trade Center, 250 Greenwich Street, 23<sup>rd</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10007; and S&P, 55 Water Street, New York, New York 10041. Other Senior Bonds have received ratings from other rating agencies. Generally, a rating agency bases its credit rating on the information and materials furnished to it and on investigations, studies and assumptions of its own. There is no assurance that the ratings will remain in effect for any given period of time or that any such rating will not be revised, either downward or upward, or withdrawn entirely, or a positive, negative or stable outlook announced, by the applicable rating agency, if, in its judgment, circumstances so warrant. LACMTA undertakes no responsibility to bring to the attention of the Owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds any announcement regarding the outlook of any rating agency with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds. Any downward revision or withdrawal or announcement of negative outlook could have an adverse effect on the market price of the Series 2022-A Bonds. Maintenance of ratings will require periodic review of current financial data and other updated information by the assigning agencies.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Additional information may be obtained upon request from the office of the Treasurer of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, California 90012, Attention: Treasury Department, Email: TreasuryDept@metro.net, Telephone: (213) 922-2554, or from LACMTA's Municipal Advisor, Public Resources Advisory Group, 11500 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite 400, Los Angeles, California 90064, Telephone: (310) 477-2786. LACMTA maintains a website at <http://www.metro.net> and certain social media sites. Information on such website and social media sites is not part of this Official Statement and such information has not been incorporated by reference in this Official Statement and should not be relied upon in deciding whether to invest in the Series 2022-A Bonds.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN  
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Executive Officer, Finance

## APPENDIX A

### LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

#### GENERAL

*Prospective purchasers of the Series 2022-A Bonds should be aware that the following discussion of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“LACMTA”) is intended as general information only. The Series 2022-A Bonds are limited obligations of LACMTA payable from Pledged Revenues, which consist primarily of proceeds of the Proposition C Sales Tax. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS” in the front part of this Official Statement.*

#### **Establishment; Jurisdiction**

LACMTA is the largest public transit operator west of Chicago. As the principal transit provider in the southern California region, LACMTA serves about 75% of all transit trips within its 1,433 square mile service area, carrying an estimated 562,000 passengers per weekday on buses and an estimated 179,000 passengers on rail for the quarter ended March 31, 2022. See “INTRODUCTION—Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic” in the front part of this Official Statement. LACMTA operates four light rail lines, serving 80 stations along 80 miles of track and two heavy rail lines that serve 16 stations along 17.4 miles of track. In addition to the transit services provided by LACMTA, it also provides funding to 40 other municipal operators that offer fixed route service and more than 100 other local return and non-profit agencies that provide community-based transportation. LACMTA also provides highway construction funding and traffic flow management.

LACMTA was established in 1993 pursuant to the provisions of Section 130050.2 et seq. of the California Public Utilities Code (the “LACMTA Act”). LACMTA is the consolidated successor entity to both the Southern California Rapid Transit District (the “District”) and the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission (the “Commission”). As the consolidated successor entity, LACMTA succeeded to all powers, duties, rights, obligations, liabilities, indebtedness, bonded or otherwise, immunities and exemptions of the Commission and the District, including the Commission’s responsibility for planning, engineering and constructing a county-wide rail transit system. The Commission was authorized, subject to approval by the electorate of the County of Los Angeles (the “County”), to adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance, with the revenues of such tax to be used for public transit purposes. On November 6, 1990, the voters of the County approved the Proposition C Sales Tax pursuant to Ordinance No. 49. The Proposition C Sales Tax is in addition to a ½ of 1 percent sales tax imposed by LACMTA beginning in 1980 known as “Proposition A Sales Tax,” a 30-year ½ of 1 percent sales tax imposed by LACMTA beginning in 2009 known as the “Measure R Sales Tax,” and a ½ of 1 percent sales tax imposed by LACMTA beginning in 2017 known as “Measure M Sales Tax.”

#### **Board of Directors**

LACMTA is governed by a 14-member Board of Directors (the “Board”). The Board is composed of the five members of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, two public members and one member of the City Council of the City of Los Angeles appointed by the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, four members who are either a mayor or a member of a city council of a city in the County (other than the City of Los Angeles) and who have been appointed by the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee (comprised of individuals appointed by the Mayors of each city in the County), and a non-voting member appointed by the Governor.

The Board of LACMTA exclusively exercises and discharges the following powers and responsibilities: (a) establishment of overall goals and objectives, (b) adoption of the aggregate budget for all of its organizational units, (c) designation of additional municipal bus operators under criteria enumerated in the LACMTA Act, (d) approval of all final rail corridor selections, (e) final approval of labor contracts covering employees of LACMTA and its organizational units, (f) establishment of LACMTA’s organizational structure, (g) conducting hearings and setting fares for the operating organizational units, (h) approval of transportation zones, (i) approval of any debt instrument with a maturity date exceeding the end of the Fiscal Year in which it is issued, (j) approval of benefit assessment districts and assessment rates and (k) approval of contracts for construction and transit equipment acquisition which exceed \$5,000,000 and making findings in connection with certain procurement decisions.

The current members of the Board are provided below.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Appointing Authority</b>
Hilda L. Solis, <i>Chair</i>	Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, First Supervisorial District
Ara Najarian, <i>First Vice-Chair</i>	Member, Glendale City Council (appointee of Los Angeles County City Selection Committee)
Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, <i>Second Vice-Chair</i>	Appointed by Mayor of Los Angeles
Kathryn Barger	Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, Fifth Supervisorial District
Mike Bonin	Los Angeles City Council (Appointed by Mayor of Los Angeles)
James T. Butts, Jr.	Mayor, City of Inglewood (appointee of Los Angeles County City Selection Committee)
Fernando Dutra	Member, Whittier City Council (appointee of Los Angeles County City Selection Committee)
Eric Garcetti	Mayor of Los Angeles
Janice Hahn	Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, Fourth Supervisorial District
Paul Krekorian	Los Angeles City Council (Appointed by Mayor of Los Angeles)
Sheila Kuehl	Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, Third Supervisorial District
Holly Mitchell	Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, Second Supervisorial District
Tim Sandoval	Mayor of Pomona (appointee of Los Angeles County City Selection Committee)
Tony Tavares, <i>Ex-Officio Member</i>	Director of the California Department of Transportation, District 7

## **Management**

**General.** The management of LACMTA is carried out under the direction of its Chief Executive Officer, who performs any duties delegated to him or her by the Board. The Board also appoints a General Counsel, Inspector General, Chief Ethics Officer and Board Secretary. The Chief Executive Officer serves

at the pleasure of the Board, as do the General Counsel, Inspector General, Chief Ethics Officer and Board Secretary. Certain of LACMTA's executives and a brief biography of each executive are provided below.

**Chief Executive Officer.** Stephanie Wiggins became Chief Executive Officer of LACMTA in May 2021. Prior to becoming the Chief Executive Officer of LACMTA she was the Chief Executive Officer of Metrolink. Prior to joining Metrolink, Ms. Wiggins was the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of LACMTA, where she assisted the Chief Executive Officer in providing leadership and formulating and achieving strategic public transportation objectives, including the passage of Measure M. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration from Whittier College, and a Master of Business Administration from the USC Marshall School of Business.

**Chief Financial Officer.** Nalini Ahuja was appointed as Executive Director, Finance and Budget in February 2014 (renamed Chief Financial Officer in July 2016). Prior to her appointment as Executive Director, Finance and Budget, Ms. Ahuja served as LACMTA's Executive Director, Office of Management, Budget & Local Programming from 2010 to 2012, at which point her duties were expanded to include oversight of LACMTA's Transit Access Pass ("TAP") operations. As Chief Financial Officer, she is responsible for oversight of LACMTA's Office of Management, Budget, Local Programming & TAP operations and the agency's Financial Services including accounting and treasury functions. She has also served LACMTA as Director, Countywide Planning; Transportation Manager V, Local Programming; Acting Budget Director, Office of Management & Budget; and Project Manager, South Bay Area Team. Ms. Ahuja began her career with LACMTA's predecessor, the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission, in 1986, as a technical and administrative analyst, which led to her position as Project Manager with the South Bay Area Team in 1990. Ms. Ahuja earned a bachelor's degree in Economics from Miranda House, University of Delhi as well as a master's degree in Economics from Delhi School of Economics and a master's degree in Urban Planning from UCLA.

## **Public Transportation Services Corporation**

In December 1996, LACMTA created the Public Transportation Services Corporation ("PTSC"), a nonprofit public benefit corporation organized under the laws of the State. PTSC was created in order to transfer certain functions, then performed by LACMTA, and the employees related to those functions, to this new corporation. As of May 1, 2022, approximately 2,434 employees of LACMTA belong to PTSC. The purpose of PTSC is to conduct essential public transportation activities including but not limited to the following: (a) to coordinate multimodal multi-jurisdictional transportation planning; (b) to program federal, State and local funds for transportation projects County-wide within the County; (c) to oversee construction; (d) to provide certain administrative services to the Los Angeles County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority; (e) to provide administrative support and security services for the foregoing and to the operation of LACMTA's bus and rail system; and (f) such other activities and services as it deems necessary. One advantage of PTSC is that it allows its employees, including those transferred from LACMTA, to participate in the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

## **TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

LACMTA is a multi-faceted transportation agency responsible for the coordination of transportation policy, funding and planning within the County as well as the development and operation of bus, light rail and heavy rail within the greater Los Angeles region. This breadth of services distinguishes LACMTA from other transportation agencies across the country.

The information about ridership provided below does not reflect the full impact of COVID-19 and surrounding events, which have caused LACMTA to experience declines in ridership on its bus and rail

systems. For further discussion, see “INTRODUCTION—Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic” in the front part of this Official Statement.

## **Bus System**

LACMTA operates the second largest bus system in the United States. LACMTA provides bus service within its service area in the County and to portions of Orange and Ventura Counties, operating a vehicle fleet of approximately 2,500 buses. LACMTA’s bus system covers over 120 routes and serves over 13,000 bus stops, including two premium bus rapid transit dedicated busways. System-wide, LACMTA buses provide approximately 6.4 million revenue service hours annually with an average of approximately 533,400 boardings per weekday on a system-wide basis for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022 and total boardings of 42.8 million for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022. In addition, LACMTA contracts with outside service providers, with an average of approximately 28,600 boardings per weekday for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022 and total boardings of 2.3 million for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022. Virtually all of LACMTA’s bus fleet is composed of compressed-natural gas (“CNG”) powered buses. As of April 1, 2022, the average age of LACMTA’s bus fleet was approximately 6.4 years. In July 2017, the LACMTA Board approved the purchase of approximately 95 electric buses to be added to its fleet and LACMTA is targeting a conversion of the entire fleet to zero emission vehicles by 2030.

***Metro Rapid Bus.*** In June 2000, LACMTA launched the Metro Rapid Demonstration Program (“Metro Rapid”). The Metro Rapid Program provides fast, frequent regional bus service throughout the County. Key features of the Metro Rapid Program include simple route layouts, frequent service, fewer stops, low-floor buses to facilitate boarding and alighting, color-coded buses and stations, and traffic signal priority. Initially, Metro Rapid consisted of two lines—one along Ventura Boulevard in the San Fernando Valley and the other along the Wilshire/Whittier transit corridor. Today, 25 Metro Rapid corridors are operating, covering approximately 400 miles in the City of Los Angeles, the County and 34 other cities. In addition to LACMTA, Santa Monica’s Big Blue Bus, Culver City Bus and Torrance Transit operate Metro Rapid.

***Metro G Line (Orange Line).*** The Metro G Line (formerly known as the Metro Orange Line) is a 18-mile Bus Rapid Transit service that operates along an exclusive right-of way and transports thousands of commuters between Warner Center in the west San Fernando Valley to the Metro B Line subway station in North Hollywood. The Metro G Line buses operate in exclusive lanes along a 13-mile stretch of LACMTA-owned right-of-way and one mile in mixed flow traffic on public streets. The Metro G Line has 18 stations, each located roughly one mile apart, with park and ride facilities at seven stations providing approximately 4,700 parking spaces. The Metro G Line Extension Project, which opened in June 2012, extended the Metro G Line four-miles north from the Canoga park-and-ride lot to the Chatsworth Amtrak/Metrolink Station.

## **Highway/ExpressLanes System**

The ExpressLanes Program is a cooperative effort between California Department of Transportation (“Caltrans”) and LACMTA, and was originally funded through a combination of federal, State and local resources. As part of a congestion reduction demonstration program, LACMTA converted I-10 and I-110 High Occupancy Vehicle (“HOV”) Lanes to Express Lanes and provided the choice for drivers of single occupant vehicles to pay to travel in a high occupancy lane, based on dynamic congestion pricing. The general-purpose lanes on these highways are not tolled. Current funding is provided by toll revenues generated by the Express Lanes. This program also includes improvements to the transit service along the freeways, and has funded transit facility and roadway improvements and provided funding to enhance system connectivity. In early 2017, the LACMTA Board approved a plan to convert additional existing HOV lanes to ExpressLanes in phases over the next 30 years.

## Rail System

**General.** In 1992, the Commission developed a comprehensive rail rapid transit system development plan (the “Rail System”) which has been revised from time to time. The Rail System currently consists of four light rail lines: the Metro A Line (formerly known as the Metro Blue Line), Metro C Line (formerly known as the Metro Green Line), Metro L Line (formerly known as the Metro Gold Line), including the L Line Eastside Extension, and the Metro E Line (formerly known as the Exposition Line); and two heavy rail lines: Metro B Line (formerly known as the Metro Red Line) and the Metro D Line (formerly known as the Metro Purple Line). The Rail System covers 98 miles and serves 93 stations, with weekday estimated ridership of approximately 179,000 for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022.

**Metro A Line (Blue Line).** The Metro A Line is an approximately 22 mile light rail line that extends from downtown Los Angeles, where it links to the Metro B Line, to the City of Long Beach. The Metro A Line passes through portions of the cities of Los Angeles, Long Beach, Compton, Carson and other cities, and certain unincorporated areas of the County. The Metro A Line consists of a dual-track line with 22 stations and a primary maintenance facility (which also supports vehicles from the Metro C Line) and yard located in Long Beach adjacent to the Long Beach Freeway with a storage and maintenance capacity of 89 vehicles. Passenger service began in July 1990. The Metro A Line had estimated ridership of approximately 2.7 million for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022.

**Metro C Line (Green Line).** The Metro C Line is a 19.5-mile light rail line linking the El Segundo employment area near the Los Angeles International Airport to the City of Norwalk near the San Gabriel River Freeway. The Metro C Line has 14 stations including a station that intersects the Metro A Line and one that provides passenger connections to the Harbor Freeway Transitway, an elevated busway developed by Caltrans. The Metro C Line began operations in August 1995, and had estimated ridership of approximately 1.3 million for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022.

**Metro L Line (Gold Line).** The Metro L Line is a 31-mile light rail line which links East Los Angeles to downtown Los Angeles (where it links to the Metro B Line) before heading northward into the San Gabriel Valley. The Metro L Line has undergone two extensions since operations originally began in July 2003. The Metro L Line currently consists of 26 stations. Estimated ridership for the entire Metro L Line was approximately 1.5 million for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022.

The Metro L Line is being further extended as discussed below under “FUTURE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS—Transit Projects—*L Line Foothill Extension.*”

**Metro E Line (Exposition Line).** The Metro E Line is an approximately 13.1 mile long light rail line that runs from downtown Los Angeles to Santa Monica along the Exposition Boulevard corridor. The first portion of the Metro E Line opened in June 2012 and extended approximately 8.6 miles from downtown Los Angeles to Culver City. The second portion, which began revenue operations in May 2016, extends 6.6 miles westward from Culver City to downtown Santa Monica and added seven stations to the Metro E Line. Estimated ridership for the Metro E Line was more than 2.5 million for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022.

**Metro B Line (Red Line) and Metro D Line (Purple Line).** The Metro B Line and Metro D Line were designed as state-of-the-art, modern heavy rail subway lines comparable to transit systems in San Francisco, Atlanta and Washington, DC. The Metro B Line and Metro D Line are dual-rail steel-wheeled, high speed rapid subway systems that originally were to consist of a 19.7 mile 18-station line that was to connect the Los Angeles central business district to the San Fernando Valley, through the Wilshire Corridor and Hollywood, and to East Los Angeles through Union Station. However, due to the “Metropolitan Transportation Authority Reform and Accountability Act of 1998” (the “Act of 1998”) and federal and



State funding shortfalls, the development of the Metro B Line and the Metro D Line were significantly reduced, including the indefinite suspension of certain extensions. The Act of 1998 prohibits LACMTA from utilizing any of the Proposition A Sales Tax or the Proposition C Sales Tax revenues for the costs of planning, design, construction or operation of any new subway, including debt service on any obligations issued for such purposes after March 30, 1998. However, the Act of 1998 did not prohibit LACMTA from continuing the construction of the Metro B Line and the Metro D Line as long as such design, construction and operation are paid from other sources.

The Metro B Line was constructed in segments. Segment 1 from Union Station to Alvarado Street opened in January 1993. Segment 2 extended west from Alvarado Street to Vermont Avenue where it branches north to Hollywood Boulevard/Vine Street and west to Wilshire Boulevard/Western Avenue. The west branch became operational in July 1996 and was renamed the Metro Purple Line (now known as the Metro D Line) in August 2006. Segment 3 extending the north branch from Hollywood/Vine to North Hollywood opened in June 2000. The Metro B Line is 14.9 miles long with 14 stations. LACMTA is in the process of extending the Metro D Line from its current terminus at Wilshire/Western to the westside of Los Angeles. This project is described under “FUTURE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS—Transit Projects” below. Estimated ridership for the entire Metro B and Metro D Lines was approximately 6.6 million for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2022.

***Commuter Rail.*** The Southern California Regional Rail Authority (“SCRRA”) oversees commuter rail services in the region that includes Los Angeles, Riverside, Ventura, Orange, San Bernardino and San Diego Counties. SCRRA operates the Metrolink system, which consists of seven lines totaling 538 miles and 61 stations and is primarily geared toward providing commuter rail service from outlying communities to downtown Los Angeles. LACMTA is the Los Angeles County participant in SCRRA and contributes funds to SCRRA. Other participants include the Orange County Transportation Authority, the Riverside County Transportation Commission, the San Bernardino Association of Governments and the Ventura County Transportation Authority.

### **Transit System Enterprise Fund**

LACMTA accounts for the revenues and expenses of its transit system as an enterprise fund, separate from accounting of its governmental funds, such as the Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R and Measure M Sales Tax revenues. See “APPENDIX B—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021.” As indicated in APPENDIX B and as is generally true with large transit systems, the operating expenses for LACMTA’s transit system greatly exceed operating revenues. The Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R and Measure M Sales Tax revenues are a primary source of funding for the transit system. Additionally, LACMTA relies heavily on other local, State and federal sources to pay for operating expenses and capital improvements. LACMTA is currently undertaking future transit improvements to the transit system, which require substantial investment and increase operating costs. As the system expands, LACMTA is committed to looking for additional revenue sources, to re-prioritize existing and new programs, and to regularly reassessing the service provided to minimize duplication and improve efficiency. Proposition C Sales Tax revenues are available to pay operating expenses only after debt service on the Senior Bonds and certain other amounts are paid. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Flow of Funds” in the front part of this Official Statement.

### **Fareless System Initiative**

In September 2020, LACMTA established a taskforce to study the idea of eliminating the collection of fares on its bus and rail transit system, either for all riders or for specified subgroups. For the fiscal years

ended June 30, 2021, 2020 and 2019, LACMTA collected approximately \$20.4 million, \$184.6 million and \$265.2 million of fares from riders of its bus and rail transit system, respectively. In addition to the loss of farebox revenues, if LACMTA were to eliminate the collection of fares, it expects that operating and maintenance costs would increase because more people would ride the buses, light rail and subways which would result in additional costs for cleaning, security and maintenance of the bus and rail transit system. None of the Measure R Sales Tax Obligations, the Proposition A Sales Tax Obligations or the Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations are secured by or payable from farebox revenues. However, the General Revenue Bonds (as defined below) are secured by and are payable from the farebox revenues. Additionally, the General Revenue Bonds are secured by “remaining” Proposition A Sales Tax revenues and “remaining” Proposition C Sales Tax revenues in the event of a shortage of farebox revenues and certain other revenues pledged to the payment of the General Revenue Bonds. See “OUTSTANDING DEBT—Other Obligations—*General Revenue Bonds*” below. Farebox revenues, along with Measure R Sales Tax Revenues, Proposition A Sales Tax revenues and Proposition C Sales Tax revenues also are used to pay for certain operating and maintenance costs of LACMTA. In the event of the elimination or reduction of farebox revenues, additional Measure R Sales Tax revenues, Proposition A Sales Tax revenues and Proposition C Sales Tax revenues would need to be used to pay the operation and maintenance expenses of LACMTA. Such uses of Measure R Sales Tax revenues, Proposition A Sales Tax revenues and Proposition C Sales Tax revenues are subordinate to the payment of debt service on the Measure R Sales Tax Obligations, the Proposition A Sales Tax Obligations and the Proposition C Sales Tax Obligations (including the Series 2022-A Bonds).

In February 2021, the taskforce proposed instituting an eighteen month pilot program starting in January 2022 and running through June 2023 to further study the initiative. A subsequent proposal called for instituting a 23-month pilot program starting in August 2021 and running through June 2023. The pilot program would allow K-12 and community college students (“K-14 students”) to ride for free starting in August 2021 and low-income riders (which make up approximately 70% of the riders on LACMTA’s bus and rail transit system) to ride for free starting in January 2022.

LACMTA instead decided to institute a two-year pilot program, supported by ARPA funds, that includes a zero-fare GoPass program for K-14 students that attend schools within participating school districts. The school districts that participate in the program have entered into cost-sharing agreements with LACMTA and pay a fixed amount for each student enrolled in the district. LACMTA estimated that its cost associated with the zero-fare GoPass program for K-14 students is \$49.9 million for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 (\$33.5 million of which will be paid by LACMTA and \$16.4 million of which will be paid by municipal and local transit operators). Additionally, LACMTA introduced improvements to its “Low Income Fares are Easy” program, including a free 90-day regional transit pass as an incentive for new enrollees.

## **FUTURE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS**

LACMTA, as the State-designated planning and programming agency for the County, identifies future transportation needs and transportation funding and construction priorities in the County. LACMTA prepares a Long Range Transportation Plan that identifies the costs of major transportation projects and the anticipated funding sources. See “RISK FACTORS—Additional Senior Bonds” in the front part of this Official Statement.

### **Capital Planning**

In September 2020, the Board approved the 2020 Long Range Transportation Plan (“2020 LRTP”) which updates the prior 2009 Long Range Transportation Plan. LACMTA’s capital program is built on two major planning documents, the Long Range Transportation Plan, which has a 40-year vision and a

financial forecast component, most recently updated for the 2020 LRTP (as updated, the “LRTP Financial Forecast”), and the “Short Range Financial Forecast,” a fifteen-year plan last updated for the Board in November 2019, that guides capital investment through 2034. These plans incorporate the mix of projects approved by voters in concert with the four sales tax measures that fund a large share of LACMTA’s operations and capital programs, and are amended as needed to reflect ongoing changes to project costs, revenue and expense projections, and actual financial results. Annually, LACMTA’s Office of Management and Budget reviews the active projects set forth in the LRTP Financial Forecast and the Short Range Financial Forecast, and prepares a proposed budget recommending project appropriations as part of the annual Capital Program, which is incorporated in LACMTA’s overall annual budget.

The LRTP Financial Forecast reflects LACMTA’s plans to build, operate, maintain and partner with third parties for improved mobility (as determined in the 2020 LRTP), and incorporates both the Measure R and Measure M “Expenditure Plans,” which identify the projects and programs to be pursued, and the amount and timing of sales tax expenditures.

The Short Range Financial Forecast, a fifteen-year component of the LRTP Financial Forecast, reflects LACMTA’s financial plan for operations and capital investments into the transit system and identifies a funding strategy from future transportation revenues. The Short Range Financial Forecast includes a financial baseline that addresses LACMTA’s current and known future operations, maintenance and capital financial commitment under a set of growth assumptions. The Short Range Financial Forecast will be updated in the fall 2022 as part of the 2022 Short Range Transportation Plan, which is an action plan for the 2020 LRTP that recommends near-term implementation steps over a fifteen-year timeframe (2023 to 2037) and reflects updated sales tax revenues and cost estimates, federal stimulus funding, and new projects and programs approved by the Board.

The LRTP Financial Forecast and the Short Range Financial Forecast are the guiding policies behind funding decisions on subsequent transportation projects and programs in the County and guide the programming of funds in the federally-mandated transportation improvement program (“TIP”). The TIP includes a listing of all transportation-related projects that require federal funding or other approval by the federal transportation agencies of USDOT. The TIP also lists non-federal, “regionally significant” projects for informational and air quality modeling purposes. Major capital projects and programs that are identified in the LRTP Financial Forecast and Short Range Financial Forecast have priority for future programming of funds, subject to the funding restrictions in the Expenditure Plans and Board-adopted funding policies. While these projects and programs require further Board approval at various stages of their development, they are priorities for further planning, design, construction and the pursuit of additional funding.

The Short Range Financial Forecast includes projections of debt financing by LACMTA composed of a combination of Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R and Measure M secured debt. The Short Range Financial Forecast updates the assumptions about debt issuance and assumes approximately \$11.9 billion in new long-term debt financing from Fiscal Year 2023 through Fiscal Year 2032, not including capital grant receipt revenue debt or toll revenue debt. The Short Range Financial Forecast assumes the issuance of approximately \$715.0 million of Proposition A First Tier Senior Lien Bonds, \$1.3 billion of Proposition C Senior Bonds, \$2.2 billion of Measure R Senior Bonds, and \$7.7 billion of Measure M Senior Bonds from Fiscal Year 2023 through Fiscal Year 2032.

The LRTP, the LRTP Financial Forecast and the Short Range Financial Forecast are planning tools and therefore the timing and amount of any debt issuance is likely to change. The actual amount and timing of any debt issuance depends on a number of factors including the actual scope, timing and cost of transportation projects, the ability to obtain funding from other sources and the amount of Proposition A, Proposition C, Measure R and Measure M Sales Tax revenues available to fund the projects in the LRTP Financial Forecast and the Short Range Financial Forecast.

## Transit Projects

LACMTA has several major transit projects in planning and under construction, including the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, the Regional Connector, the Metro D Line Westside Extension and the Metro L Line Foothill Extension. These projects currently have a total budget of approximately [\$12.9 billion]. The costs of the projects are expected to be paid from Proposition A Sales Tax revenues (including the proceeds of Proposition A secured debt), Proposition C Sales Tax revenues (including the proceeds of Proposition C secured debt), Measure R Sales Tax revenues (including the proceeds of Measure R secured debt), Measure M Sales Tax revenues (including the proceeds of Measure M secured debt), other local sources, and federal and State sources, as applicable.

***Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project.*** The Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project is a north/south corridor that serves the cities of Los Angeles, Inglewood, Hawthorne and El Segundo as well as portions of unincorporated Los Angeles County. The line extends 8.5 miles, from the intersection of Crenshaw and Exposition Boulevards to a connection with the Metro C Line at the Aviation/LAX Station. The total project budget is currently \$2.15 billion. The costs of the project are expected to be paid from Measure R Sales Tax revenues, Proposition A Sales Tax revenues, Proposition C Sales Tax revenues, other local sources, and federal and State sources.

***Regional Connector Transit Corridor Project.*** The Regional Connector is a 1.9-mile light rail line with three underground stations in downtown Los Angeles. The Project will provide a direct connection from the 7th/Metro Center Station to the existing Metro L Line tracks to the north and east of 1<sup>st</sup> and Alameda. This connection will provide through service between the Metro A Line, Metro L Line and Metro E Line corridors. The total project budget is currently \$1.82 billion. LACMTA has been awarded federal grants totaling \$751.0 million for the Regional Connector project. The remaining project costs are expected to be paid from Measure R Sales Tax revenues and federal, State and local sources.

***Metro D Line Westside Extension.*** The Metro D Line Westside Extension (the “Metro D Line Extension”) is an extension of the Metro D Line from its current terminus at Wilshire/Western to the westside of Los Angeles. The Board has certified the Final Environmental Impact Report and has adopted the project definition for the nine-mile Metro D Line Extension. The Metro D Line Extension is being constructed in three sections.

Section 1 of the Metro D Line Extension is currently under construction and extends the existing Metro D Line by 3.92 miles beginning at the Wilshire/Western Station to the City of Beverly Hills and adds three stations, at Wilshire/La Brea, Wilshire/Fairfax and the Phase 1 terminus at Wilshire/La Cienega. The total budget for Section 1 of the Metro D Line Extension is \$2.94 billion, excluding finance charges and unallocated contingency. LACMTA has been awarded a \$1.25 billion federal grant for Section 1 of the Metro D Line Extension. The remaining project costs for Section 1 are expected to be paid from Measure R Sales Tax revenues, State sources and other local sources.

Section 2 of the Metro D Line Extension is currently under construction and extends the Metro D Line by 2.59 miles beginning at the future Section 1 Wilshire/La Cienega Station to Century City and adds two new stations, at Wilshire/Rodeo and the Phase 2 terminus at Century City/Constellation. The total budget for Section 2 of the Metro D Line Extension is \$2.32 billion, excluding finance charges and unallocated contingency. LACMTA has been awarded a \$1.187 billion federal grant for Section 2 of the Metro D Line Extension. The remaining project costs for Section 2 are expected to be paid from Measure R Sales Tax revenues, other Federal sources, and State sources.

Section 3 of the Metro D Line Extension is currently under construction and extends the Metro D Line by 2.56 miles beginning at the future Section 2 Century City/Constellation Station to the Westwood

VA Hospital and adds two new stations at Westwood/UCLA and the Phase 3 terminus at Westwood/VA Hospital. The budget for Section 3 of the Metro D Line Extension is \$2.96 billion, excluding finance charges and unallocated contingency. LACMTA has been awarded a \$1.3 billion federal grant for Section 3 of the Metro D Line Extension. The remaining project costs for Section 3 are expected to be paid from Measure R and Measure M Sales Tax Revenues, other Federal sources, State sources, and other local sources.

***Metro L Line Foothill Extension.*** The Metro L Line Phase 2B Project proposed extending the Metro L Line east from Azusa to Claremont, and potentially extending the line to Montclair. However, the project is now expected to build out to an interim terminus at Pomona. LACMTA is working with the Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority (“GLFECA”), an independent transportation planning and construction agency created in 1999 and tasked with designing and constructing the line. Once built, LACMTA will operate it in conjunction with existing LACMTA rail services. The total project budget for the extension to Claremont is \$1.4 billion. Project costs are expected to be paid primarily from Measure M Sales Tax Revenues and State sources. LACMTA staff is working with the GLFECA to seek funding to extend the project to Claremont. LACMTA will also coordinate with the GLFECA and San Bernardino County to support their development of an option to Montclair.

## LABOR RELATIONS

### General

As of May 1, 2022, LACMTA had approximately 9,274 employees, of which approximately 84% are covered by labor agreements. Full and part-time LACMTA bus and train operators are represented by the Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, Transportation, Transportation Division (formerly United Transportation Union) (“SMART-TD”); LACMTA mechanics and service attendants are members of the Amalgamated Transit Union (“ATU”); LACMTA clerks are members of the Transportation Communications Union (“TCU”); bus and rail transportation and maintenance supervisors are members of the American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees (“AFSCME”); and LACMTA security guards are members of the Teamsters Union. The following table summarizes the number of employees covered by the labor agreements of LACMTA with each of its employee bargaining units as of May 1, 2022 and the current expiration dates of the labor agreements. In July 2017, LACMTA signed five new contracts with its labor unions, the longest contracts in LACMTA’s history. Most of these contracts provide for annual salary increases of 4.2% over the five-year life of the contracts.

<u>Employee Bargaining Unit</u>	<u>Number of Employees</u>	<u>Contract Expiration Date<sup>1</sup></u>
Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Division	3,770	06/30/22
Amalgamated Transit Union	2,333	06/30/22
Transportation Communications Union	864	06/30/22
Am. Fed. of State, County and Municipal Employees	791	06/30/22
Teamsters Union	142	06/30/22

<sup>1</sup> LACMTA is currently negotiating new collective bargaining agreements with all five employee bargaining units. Expiring labor agreements will remain in effect until new agreements are approved and executed.

### Defined Benefit Pension Plan

LACMTA has a single-employer public employee retirement system that includes five defined benefit plans (the “Plans”) that cover substantially all employees (except PTSC employees) and provides

retirement, disability, and death benefits. The benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by State statute, ordinance, collective bargaining agreements or Board actions. Four of the Plans are restricted to specific union members, while the fifth provides benefits to non-represented employees and to members of the Teamsters Union. In addition, LACMTA provides pension benefits to most PTSC employees through a defined benefit plan administered by the California Public Employees' Retirement System ("PERS"), a multiple-employer pension system. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. For a description of these defined benefit plans and LACMTA's obligations to make contributions to these plans, see "Note III—DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS—I. Employees' Retirement Plans" in the Notes to the Financial Statements and related Required Supplementary Schedules in "APPENDIX B—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021."

### **Other Post-Employment Benefits**

LACMTA provides post-employment health care and life insurance benefits for retired employees and their families. Pursuant to Governmental Accounting Standards Board Pronouncement No. 74 and No. 75, "Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans" and "Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions" respectively, LACMTA is required to account for its expenses and a portion of the present value of future expenses related to these benefits. For a description of these benefits, LACMTA's obligations to account for certain projected future costs of these benefits and other matters regarding these benefits, see "Note III—DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS—J. Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)" in the Notes to the Financial Statements and the related Required Supplementary Schedules in "APPENDIX B—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022."

## **OUTSTANDING DEBT**

### **General**

In addition to obligations issued by LACMTA that are secured by Proposition C Sales Tax, LACMTA has issued debt secured by the Proposition A Sales Tax, the Measure R Sales Tax, and other revenues of LACMTA, and may issue additional obligations so secured upon satisfaction of certain additional bonds tests in the applicable trust agreements providing for the issuance of such debt. The Series 2022-A Bonds are secured by and payable from the Proposition C Sales Tax, and are not secured by or payable from the Measure M Sales Tax, the Measure R Sales Tax, the Proposition A Sales Tax or any other revenues of LACMTA. See "FUTURE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS—Capital Planning" above. See "SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS" in the front part of this Official Statement for a discussion of obligations secured by the Proposition C Sales Tax.

### **Debt and Interest Rate Swap Policies**

In April 2021, the Board approved an updated Debt Policy for LACMTA (the "Debt Policy"). The Debt Policy sets forth guidelines for the issuance and management of LACMTA's debt. Among other things, the Debt Policy sets forth allowable uses of debt and debt policy maximums. It requires LACMTA to develop a capital improvement plan which includes the capital projects LACMTA plans to undertake in future years. The Debt Policy also sets forth guidance on the type of debt that may be incurred by LACMTA (e.g., long-term versus short-term), the source of payment for such debt, and other factors to be considered when incurring debt.

In April 2015, the Board approved an updated Interest Rate Swap Policy for LACMTA (the “Swap Policy”). The Swap Policy includes guidelines to be used by LACMTA when entering into interest rate swaps and management practices that address the special risks associated with interest rate swaps. The Swap Policy requires that LACMTA evaluate the risks, on an ongoing basis, of existing interest rate swaps. As of the date of this Official Statement, LACMTA has no interest rate swaps.

**Proposition A Sales Tax Obligations**

**General.** Obligations of LACMTA payable from the Proposition A Sales Tax consist of sales tax revenue bonds, commercial paper notes and other agreements. LACMTA has three priority levels of obligations for Proposition A Sales Tax revenues: its First Tier Senior Lien Bonds, its Second Tier Obligations (there are no Second Tier Obligations outstanding) and its Third Tier Obligations (which include the Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes). LACMTA has incurred other obligations which are secured by certain “remaining” Proposition A Sales Tax cash receipts.

**Proposition A First Tier Senior Lien Bonds.** LACMTA had the following Proposition A First Tier Senior Lien Bonds outstanding as of May 1, 2022. The Proposition A First Tier Senior Lien Bonds are payable from, and secured by a prior first lien on, Proposition A Sales Tax revenue.

**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Proposition A First Tier Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds  
(Outstanding as of May 1, 2022)**

<b>Proposition A First Tier Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>Outstanding Principal Amount</b>
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2019-A	\$ 40,740,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2018-A	11,515,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2017-A (Green Bonds)	471,395,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2017-B	85,455,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016-A	119,190,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2015-A	19,435,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2014-A	99,515,000
Total	\$847,245,000

Source: LACMTA.

**Proposition A Second Tier Obligations.** There are no Proposition A Second Tier Obligations outstanding, nor are any additional Second Tier Obligations currently expected to be issued.

**Proposition A Third Tier Obligations.** LACMTA is authorized to issue and have outstanding, at any one time, up to \$350,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its Proposition A commercial paper notes (the “Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes”). As of May 1, 2022, \$97.5 million aggregate principal amount of Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes were outstanding.

The Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes can only be issued and outstanding if they are supported by a letter of credit. The Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes are currently supported by a letter of credit (the “Proposition A CP Letter of Credit”) issued by Barclays Bank PLC. The following table sets forth certain terms of the current Proposition A CP Letter of Credit.

**Proposition A CP Letter of Credit<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Letter of Credit Provider</b>	<b>Amount of Letter of Credit</b>	<b>Issuance Date</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>
Barclays Bank PLC	\$199,999,988 <sup>2</sup>	April 25, 2019	July 22, 2022

<sup>1</sup> On or about June 1, 2022, LACMTA expects to replace the letter of credit currently provided by Barclays Bank PLC with a letter of credit to be provided by Bank of America, N.A. The letter of credit to be provided by Bank of America, N.A. will support \$150,000,000 of principal of and \$13,500,000 of interest on the Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes, and will have an expiration date of [June 1, 2025].

<sup>2</sup> Supports \$183,694,000 of principal of and \$16,305,988 of interest on the Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes.  
Source: LACMTA

The Proposition A Commercial Paper Notes and the reimbursement obligations with respect to the Proposition A CP Letter of Credit constitute “Proposition A Third Tier Obligations,” and are payable from Proposition A Sales Tax revenues on a subordinate basis to the Proposition A First Tier Senior Lien Bonds and Proposition A Second Tier Obligations, if any.

**Measure R Sales Tax Obligations**

**General.** LACMTA has three priority levels of obligations secured by the Measure R Sales Tax: the senior lien (which currently secures its Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds), the subordinate lien (which currently secures its Measure R Subordinate Obligations), and the junior subordinate lien (which currently secures its Measure R Junior Subordinate Obligations).

**Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds.** LACMTA had the following Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds outstanding as of May 1, 2022. The Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds are payable from, and secured by a prior first lien on, Measure R Sales Tax revenue.

**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority  
Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds  
(Outstanding as of May 1, 2022)**

<b>Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>Outstanding Principal Amount</b>
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2021-A	\$ 514,500,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2016-A	455,520,000
Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2010-A	552,030,000
Total	<u>\$1,522,050,000</u>

Source: LACMTA.

**Measure R Subordinate Obligations.** On May 28, 2015, LACMTA received authorization to establish a short-term borrowing program (the “Measure R Short-Term Borrowing Program”) secured by the Measure R Sales Tax and in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$300,000,000. The obligations issued under the Measure R Short-Term Borrowing program are payable from the Measure R Sales Tax revenues on a subordinate basis to the Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds but senior to the Junior



Subordinate Obligations. Currently, the obligations issued under the Measure R Short-Term Borrowing Program are in the form of commercial paper notes (the “Measure R Commercial Paper Notes”). As of May 1, 2022, there were no Measure R Commercial Paper Notes outstanding.

The Measure R Commercial Paper Notes can only be issued and outstanding if they are supported by a letter of credit. The Measure R Commercial Paper Notes are supported by two letters of credit (collectively, the “Measure R CP Letters of Credit”) issued by Bank of America, N.A., and State Street Bank and Trust Company. LACMTA’s reimbursement obligations with respect to the Measure R CP Letters of Credit are payable from Measure R Sales Tax revenues on parity with the Measure R Commercial Paper Notes and on a subordinate basis to the Measure R Senior Bonds. The following table sets forth certain terms of the Measure R CP Letters of Credit.

**Measure R CP Letter of Credit**

<u>Letter of Credit Provider</u>	<u>Amount of Letter of Credit</u>	<u>Issuance Date</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
Bank of America, N.A.	\$ 97,989,042 <sup>1</sup>	October 28, 2020	October 27, 2022
State Street Bank and Trust Company	108,876,713 <sup>2</sup>	October 28, 2020	October 27, 2022

<sup>1</sup> Supports \$90,000,000 of principal and \$7,989,042 of interest.

<sup>2</sup> Supports \$100,000,000 of principal and \$8,876,713 of interest.

Source: LACMTA

The Measure R Commercial Paper Notes and the reimbursement obligations with respect to the Measure R CP Letters of Credit constitute “Measure R Subordinate Obligations,” and are payable from Measure R Sales Tax revenues on a subordinate basis to the Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds.

**Measure R Junior Subordinate Obligations and Other Obligations.** On August 27, 2020, LACMTA issued \$1,356,095,000 aggregate principal amount of its Measure R Junior Subordinate Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020-A (Green Bonds) (the “Series 2020 Measure R Junior Subordinate Bonds”) to repay and retire its obligations under four Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan agreements and to finance certain rail projects. As of May 1, 2022, LACMTA had \$1,356,095,000 aggregate principal amount of the Series 2020 Measure R Junior Subordinate Bonds outstanding. The Series 2020 Measure R Junior Subordinate Bonds are payable from the Measure R Sales Tax revenues on a subordinate basis to the Measure R Senior Sales Tax Revenue Bonds and the Measure R Subordinate Obligations.

In addition, LACMTA has the ability to incur other obligations (the “Other Measure R Obligations”) which are secured by the Measure R Sales tax that remain after the payment of its senior lien obligations (which currently secures its Measure R Senior Bonds), the subordinate lien (which currently secures its Measure R Subordinate Obligations), and the junior subordinate lien (which currently secures its Series 2020 Measure R Junior Subordinate Bonds). As of May 1, 2022, LACMTA did not have any Other Measure R Obligations outstanding.

**Measure M Sales Tax Obligations**

LACMTA has not issued any debt secured by the Measure M Sales Tax. However, LACMTA anticipates issuing such debt in the future. The Short Range Financial Forecast assumes the issuance of approximately \$7.7 billion of Measure M Senior Bonds through Fiscal Year 2032.

## INVESTMENT POLICY

### General

Certain features of LACMTA’s Investment Policy are summarized in “Note III—DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS—A. Cash and Investments” in the Notes to the Financial Statements in “APPENDIX B—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021.”

### Investment Balances

As of March 31, 2022 (based on unaudited financial information), LACMTA had approximately \$736 million in market value deposited in non-discretionary bond proceeds and debt service trust accounts, primarily invested in U.S. Treasury securities, Federal Agencies, money market funds, forward purchase agreements. LACMTA had approximately \$3.1 billion in additional non-discretionary trust accounts, primarily for pension and OPEB.

Additionally, as of March 31, 2022, LACMTA had approximately \$3.3 billion (book value) deposited in discretionary/operating accounts. Such discretionary/operating accounts were invested in the investments summarized in the following table:

<b>Discretionary/Operating Accounts Investments</b>	<b>Percentage of Total Book Value as of March 31, 2022</b>
Local Agency Investment Fund	6.9%
Bank Deposits	6.9
Subtotal*	13.8%
Managed Investments	
U.S. Treasuries	28.1%
Commercial Paper	14.4
Money Market Funds	14.2
Federal Agencies	11.9
Corporate Notes	10.8
Municipal securities	3.0
Asset Backed Securities	2.3
Medium Term Notes	1.1
Certificates of Deposit	0.3
Subtotal Managed Investments*	86.2%
Total Cash and Investments*	100.0%

\* Numbers may not add due to rounding.  
Source: LACMTA

As of March 31, 2022, the liquid reserve of the discretionary accounts, which totaled approximately \$1.6 billion in market value, was managed internally by LACMTA and had an average maturity of 57 days.

Moneys released to LACMTA pursuant to the Agreement, including moneys in the discretionary/operating accounts, do not secure the Senior Bonds and LACMTA is not obligated to use such

amounts to pay debt service on the Senior Bonds. See “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Flow of Funds.”

Additional information regarding LACMTA’s investments are included in “Note III—DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS—A. Cash and Investments” in the Notes to the Financial Statements in “APPENDIX B—LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021.”

## **LITIGATION**

### **Sales Tax Litigation**

On April 30, 1982, the California Supreme Court, in *Los Angeles County Transportation Commission v. Richmond*, upheld the constitutionality of the Proposition A Sales Tax. On March 3, 1992, the California Court of Appeal, in *Vernon v. State Board of Equalization*, upheld the validity of the Proposition C Sales Tax.

On September 28, 1995, the California Supreme Court affirmed the California Court of Appeal’s ruling in *Santa Clara County Local Transportation Authority v. Guardino*, which invalidated a half cent sales tax by the Santa Clara County Local Transportation Authority. LACMTA does not believe such decision has any effect on the validity of LACMTA’s Proposition C Sales Tax.

### **Other Litigation**

In addition to the matters described herein, various other claims have been asserted against LACMTA. To the knowledge of LACMTA, none of such pending claims will materially and adversely affect LACMTA’s ability to pay the principal of and interest on any of its debt obligations.

### **[CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES’ PENSION REFORM ACT OF 2013]**

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In 2012, the State Legislature adopted and the Governor signed into law the Public Employees’ Pension Reform Act of 2013, Cal. Gov’t Code §7522, et seq. (“PEPRA”), which limits pension benefits and increases the retirement age for public employees, requires public employees hired after December 31, 2012 to pay for half of their pension costs, and stops abusive pension practices. Following enactment of PEPRA, several unions representing public transit employees in the State (including employees of LACMTA) asserted to the U.S. Department of Labor (“USDOL”) that PEPRA was inconsistent with collective bargaining rights that are protected under Section 13(c) of the Federal Transit Act. Section 13(c) requires the preservation of employees’ bargained for rights and continuation of these rights. Before a local government agency receives federal funds for a particular transit system, USDOL must certify that employees’ bargained for rights are preserved and their collective bargaining rights continue.

Soon after PEPRA’s passage, USDOL refused to certify federal grants to California transit agencies, including LACMTA, based on union objections that PEPRA violated Section 13(c) protections. On behalf of two affected transit agencies, the State successfully challenged USDOL’s decisions under the Administrative Procedure Act in federal court in 2013, and the court remanded the matter to USDOL for reconsideration. The State had enacted a temporary suspension of PEPRA while the litigation was in process. The temporary suspension allowed federal funds to flow during that period but ended on December 30, 2014 with the court’s ruling. In 2015, USDOL on remand again refused to certify the Federal

Transportation Administration (“FTA”) grants at issue. Again the State sought relief in federal court. Meanwhile, USDOL began certifying the FTA grants to LACMTA later in 2015 subject to new certification provisions requiring grantees to restore pre-PEPRA pension benefits or refund the amount of the grants received since January 1, 2015 in the event USDOL’s decisions were ultimately upheld by the court.

On January 24, 2018, the court resolved the dispute in favor of the State and enjoined USDOL from relying on PEPRA to deny transit funding to the two transit agencies whose federal grants were at issue in the litigation. However, the court declined the State’s request to enjoin USDOL from using PEPRA to deny Section 13(c) certification to *any other* California transit agency grantee. On March 8, 2019, USDOL represented to the court in a joint status report that it fully intends to comply with the court’s order.

In April 2019, a union representing LACMTA employees objected to certification of a \$2.5 million grant on the basis that PEPRA precludes LACMTA from continuing collective bargaining rights as required by Section 13(c). In light of the court’s decisions, USDOL reexamined its earlier determinations denying certification of FTA grants to LACMTA because of PEPRA’s impact on transit employees. Based on that reexamination, USDOL concluded on June 14, 2019 that PEPRA does not present a bar to certification under Section 13(c).

On August 22, 2019, the union whose objections were rejected by USDOL brought an action against USDOL in the U.S. District Court, District of Columbia, contending that the issuance of grant certifications to California transit agencies, over the union’s objections is contrary to law and in excess of USDOL’s statutory authority because PEPRA diminishes the collective bargaining rights of California transit employees. The State intervened and asked the court to transfer the case to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California, where the prior proceedings concerning USDOL’s authority to issue grant certifications in light of PEPRA have taken place. The court granted the State’s motion and transferred the case to the Eastern District of California where it is currently pending trial. Cross-motions for summary judgment have been filed by the parties and a hearing with respect to such motions was scheduled for May 28, 2021. On May 19, 2021, the court (a) granted USDOL a short stay to permit it to reach a final decision about whether to reconsider its decision to grant certification to California transit agencies or request a remand, and (b) rescheduled the hearing with respect to the cross-motions for summary judgment to August 27, 2021.

FTA grants are a significant source of funding for LACMTA. [LACMTA expects to apply for an additional \$869.0 million of FTA grants through December 2021.] Assuming the court in the Eastern District of California reaffirms and adheres to its earlier determination that the application of PEPRA to transit employee pension plans does not preclude certification of FTA grants under Section 13(c), LACMTA expects to receive these grants. However, it is possible, though unlikely, that USDOL and/or the court may reverse their most recent determinations, in which case LACMTA may have to potentially delay or cancel projects or use alternate funding sources for projects, possibly including additional Senior Bonds or Senior Parity Obligations. Senior Bonds and Senior Parity Obligations may be issued only if the additional bonds tests described under “SECURITY AND SOURCES OF PAYMENT FOR THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—Measure R Sales Tax Obligations—*Senior Obligations*” in the front part of this Official Statement are satisfied.

LACMTA’s collection of Proposition C Sales Tax revenues to pay debt service on the Senior Bonds, including the Series 2022-A Bonds, is not affected by the receipt of FTA grants.

**APPENDIX B**

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021**

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## **APPENDIX C**

### **LOS ANGELES COUNTY ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

The Proposition C Sales Tax derives from a retail transaction and use tax applicable to all taxable sales throughout Los Angeles County. As such, sales tax revenues reflect a number of economic factors that influence taxable transactions, including population, employment and income. Some of those factors are described below.

The economic and demographic information provided below has been collected from sources that LACMTA considers to be reliable. Because it is difficult to obtain timely economic and demographic information, the economic condition of Los Angeles County may not be fully apparent in all of the publicly available local and regional economic statistics provided herein. In particular, the economic statistics provided herein may not fully capture the impact of current economic conditions. The information in this Appendix is historic in nature and generally predates the COVID-19 pandemic. It is not possible to predict whether the trends shown below will continue in the future. See “INTRODUCTION—Impact of Global COVID-19 Outbreak” in the front part of this Official Statement.

#### **Los Angeles County**

As of January 1, 2022, the County had an estimated population of 9.9 million. Los Angeles County is the largest County in the country by population, and includes over a quarter of the State of California’s (the “State”) population. The County covers 4,084 square miles, and includes 88 incorporated cities, with approximately 8.9 million residents, as well as unincorporated communities with approximately one million residents.

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## Population

The table below summarizes the populations of the County and State, estimated as of January 1 of each year, except for the years 2000 and 2010 which are reported as of April 1 of such years. The population estimates for 2010 and later incorporate 2010 Census counts as the benchmark.

**Table C-1  
COUNTY AND STATE POPULATION STATISTICS**

	<b>County of Los Angeles</b>	<b>Annual Growth Rate<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>State of California</b>	<b>Annual Growth Rate<sup>1</sup></b>
2000	9,519,330	–	33,873,086	–
2010	9,818,605	0.00%	37,253,956	0.76%
2013	10,025,721	–	38,269,864	–
2014	10,078,942	0.53%	38,556,731	0.75%
2015	10,124,800	0.47	38,865,532	0.81
2016	10,150,386	0.31	39,103,587	0.67
2017	10,181,162	0.35	39,352,398	0.68
2018	10,192,593	0.16	39,519,535	0.48
2019	10,163,139	(0.25)	39,605,361	0.27
2020	10,135,614	(0.11)	39,648,938	0.22
2021	9,931,338	(2.00)	39,303,157	(0.90)
2022	9,861,224	(0.70)	39,185,605	(0.30)

<sup>1</sup> For five-year time series, figures represent average annual growth rate for each of the five years.

Source: Census Counts, Sacramento, California - 2000 and 2010. State of California, Department of Finance, E-4 Population Estimates for Cities, Counties, and the State, 2013-2022, May 2022.

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## Industry and Employment

The following table summarizes the average number of employed and unemployed residents of the County, based on the annual “benchmark,” an annual revision process in which monthly labor force and payroll employment data, which are based on estimates, are updated based on detailed tax records.

The California Employment Development Department has reported final unemployment figures for 2021 of 7.3% statewide (not seasonally adjusted) and 8.9% for Los Angeles County (not seasonally adjusted). The U.S. Bureau of Labor, Department of Labor Statistics, has reported final unemployment figures for 2021 of 5.3% nationwide (not seasonally adjusted).

**Table C-2**  
**ESTIMATED AVERAGE ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT AND**  
**UNEMPLOYMENT OF RESIDENT LABOR FORCE**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>
<b><u>Civilian Labor Force</u></b>					
County of Los Angeles					
Employed	4,864,100	4,885,300	4,926,100	4,355,900	4,548,900
Unemployed	245,700	235,900	227,000	613,000	445,200
<b>Total</b>	<u>5,109,800</u>	<u>5,121,300</u>	<u>5,153,100</u>	<u>4,968,900</u>	<u>4,994,100</u>
<b><u>Unemployment Rates</u></b>					
County	4.8%	4.6%	4.4%	12.3%	8.9%
State	4.8	4.3	4.1	10.2	7.3
United States	4.4	3.9	3.7	8.1	5.3

Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division for the State and County; U.S. Bureau of Labor, Department of Labor Statistics for the U.S. Items may not add to totals due to rounding.

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The table below summarizes the California Employment Development Department’s most recent estimated average annual employment for the County, which includes full-time and part-time workers who receive wages, salaries, commissions, tips, payment in kind, or piece rates. Percentages indicate the percentage of the total employment for each type of employment for the given year. For purposes of comparison, the most recent annual employment data for the State is also summarized.

**Table C-3  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
ESTIMATED 2021 INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT<sup>1</sup>**

	County		State of California	
	Number of Employees	% of Total	Number of Employees	% of Total
Total Farm	4,500	0.1%	342,400	2.1%
Mining and Logging	1,600	0.0	18,600	0.1
Construction	149,300	3.6	867,000	5.2
Manufacturing	311,200	7.4	1,261,000	7.6
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	806,500	19.3	2,982,400	17.9
Information	199,400	4.8	544,000	3.3
Financial Activities	210,000	5.0	816,700	4.9
Professional and Business Services	612,200	14.6	2,651,400	15.9
Educational and Health Services	832,700	19.9	2,786,600	16.8
Leisure and Hospitality	375,500	9.0	1,433,000	8.6
Other Services	125,100	3.0	474,000	2.8
Government	557,200	13.3	2,454,500	14.8
Total <sup>2</sup>	4,185,200	100.0%	16,631,600	100.0%

<sup>1</sup> The California Economic Development Department has converted employer records from the Standard Industrial Classification coding system to the North American Industry Classification System.

<sup>2</sup> Total may not equal sum of parts due to independent rounding.

Note: Based on surveys distributed to employers; not directly comparable to Civilian Labor Force data reported in Table C-2.

Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division. Based on March 2021 Benchmark report released April 15, 2022.

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## Personal Income

The U.S. Census Bureau defines personal income as the income received by all persons from all sources, and is the sum of “net earnings,” rental income, dividend income, interest income, and transfer receipts. “Net earnings” is defined as wages and salaries, supplements to wages and salaries, and proprietors’ income, less contributions for government social insurance, before deduction of personal income and other taxes.

The following table sets forth the estimates of personal income and per capita personal income for the County, the State and the United States for 2016 through 2020.

**Table C-4**  
**COUNTY, STATE AND U.S.**  
**PERSONAL INCOME<sup>1</sup>**

<u>Year and Area</u>	<u>Personal Income (thousands of dollars)</u>	<u>Per Capita Personal Income (dollars)</u>
<b>2016</b>		
County	\$ 562,665,355	\$55,738
State	2,218,457,774	56,667
United States	16,092,713,000	49,812
<b>2017</b>		
County	\$ 580,826,819	\$ 57,551
State	2,318,644,417	58,942
United States	16,845,028,000	51,811
<b>2018</b>		
County	\$ 602,428,812	\$ 59,874
State	2,431,821,953	61,663
United States	17,681,159,000	54,098
<b>2019</b>		
County	\$ 631,161,849	\$ 63,043
State	2,544,234,978	64,513
United States	18,402,004,000	64,513
<b>2020</b>		
County	\$ 678,829,092	\$ 68,272
State	2,763,311,977	70,192
United States	19,607,447,000	59,510

<sup>1</sup> Last updated: November 16, 2021 - new statistics for 2020; revised statistics for 2016-2019. Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, “Table CAINC1 - Personal Income Summary” (accessed March 8, 2022).

## Retail Sales

The following table sets forth taxable sales for the County for calendar years 2017 through 2021.

**Table C-5**  
**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**TAXABLE SALES**  
**(in thousands)**

	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	\$18,564,128	\$18,935,861	\$18,954,470	\$18,534,326	\$23,555,049
Home Furnishings and Appliance Stores	7,608,577	7,536,953	7,308,501	6,608,482	8,177,309
Building Material & Garden Equipment & Supplies Dealers	8,033,659	8,446,279	8,698,495	9,556,946	10,450,158
Food and Beverage Stores	6,922,446	7,106,527	7,255,361	7,650,294	7,861,401
Gasoline Stations	10,962,033	12,553,326	12,491,790	8,132,307	12,405,237
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	11,554,711	12,258,410	12,536,982	9,498,705	13,957,944
General Merchandise Stores	12,268,162	12,583,909	12,910,844	12,263,784	14,541,309
Food Services and Drinking Places	23,199,041	24,016,431	25,097,944	17,006,158	23,577,050
Other Retail Group	15,185,803	15,707,358	17,190,290	24,164,972	24,407,441
Total Retail and Food Services	114,298,560	119,145,054	122,444,678	113,415,974	138,932,925
All Other Outlets <sup>1</sup>	45,981,570	48,878,742	49,868,925	44,322,010	53,340,253
<b>TOTAL ALL OUTLETS<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>\$160,280,130</b>	<b>\$166,023,796</b>	<b>\$172,313,603</b>	<b>\$157,737,984</b>	<b>\$192,273,178</b>

<sup>1</sup> Primarily manufacturing and wholesale businesses.

<sup>2</sup> Items may not add to totals due to rounding.

Source: California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, Research and Statistics Division.

**APPENDIX D**

**SUMMARY OF LEGAL DOCUMENTS; DEFINITIONS**

**APPENDIX E**

**FORM OF BOND COUNSEL APPROVING OPINION**

## APPENDIX F

### FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

This Continuing Disclosure Certificate (the “Certificate”) is executed and delivered by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (the “Authority”) in connection with the issuance of its \$\_\_\_\_\_ Proposition C Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Senior Bonds, Series 2022-A (the “Series 2022-A Bonds”) pursuant to the terms of the Agreement (as defined herein). The Authority covenants and agrees as follows:

#### **Section 1. Definitions.**

“*Agreement*” means, collectively, the Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2010, as amended, by and between the Authority and U.S. Bank Trust Company, as successor in interest to U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), and the Thirty-Third Supplemental Trust Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2022, by and between the Authority and the Trustee.

“*Annual Information*” means the information specified in Section 4 hereof.

“*EMMA System*” means the MSRB’s Electronic Municipal Market Access system or any successor nationally recognized municipal securities information repositories recognized by the Securities and Exchange Commission for the purposes referred to in Rule 15c2-12.

“*Financial Obligation*” means (i) debt obligation; (ii) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (iii) guarantee of (i) or (ii). The term Financial Obligation shall not include municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with Rule 15c2-12.

“*Holder*” means any registered owner of Series 2022-A Bonds and any beneficial owner of Series 2022-A Bonds within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

“*Listed Events*” means any of the events listed in Section 5 hereof.

“*MSRB*” means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board established in accordance with the provisions of Section 15B(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

“*Official Statement*” means the Official Statement, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, prepared and distributed in connection with the initial sale of the Series 2022-A Bonds.

“*Rule 15c2-12*” means Rule 15c2-12, as amended through the date of this Certificate, as promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**Section 2. Purpose of the Certificate.** This Certificate is being executed and delivered by the Authority pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 for the benefit of the Holders of the Series 2022-A Bonds in order to assist the participating underwriters in complying with Rule 15c2-12.

### **Section 3. Provision of Annual Information.**

(a) The Authority shall, not later than 195 days following the end of each Fiscal Year of the Authority (which Fiscal Year currently ends on June 30) (resulting in a deadline of January 11 of each year), commencing with the report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2022 (which is due no later than January 11, 2023), provide to the MSRB through the EMMA System, in an electronic format and accompanied by identifying information all as prescribed by the MSRB, the Annual Information relating to the immediately preceding Fiscal Year that is consistent with the requirements of Section 4 hereof, which Annual Information may be submitted as a single document or as separate documents comprising a package, and may cross-reference other information as provided in Section 4 hereof; provided that any audited financial statements may be submitted separately from the balance of the Annual Information and later than the date required above for the filing of the Annual Information if they are not available by that date. If the Fiscal Year for the Authority changes, the Authority shall give notice of such change in the same manner as for a Listed Event under Section 5(e) hereof.

(b) If in any year, the Authority does not provide the Annual Information to the MSRB by the time specified above, the Authority shall instead timely file a notice to the MSRB through the EMMA System stating that the Annual Information has not been timely completed and, if known, stating the date by which the Authority expects to file the Annual Information.

**Section 4. Content of Annual Information.** The Annual Information shall contain or incorporate by reference the following:

(a) The audited financial statements of the Authority for the prior Fiscal Year, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time and as applied to governmental units. If the Authority's audited financial statements are not available by the time the Annual Information is required to be filed pursuant to Section 3(a) hereof, the Annual Information shall contain unaudited financial statements and the audited financial statements shall be filed in the same manner as the Annual Information when they become available.

(b) Updated historical information of the type set forth in "TABLE 3—Historical Net Proposition C Sales Tax Revenues, Local Allocations, Pledged Revenues and Debt Service Coverage" of the Official Statement; and

(c) Updated information of the type set forth in "TABLE 6—Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Combined Proposition C Debt Service Schedule Senior Bonds" of the Official Statement, but only the information in the column entitled "Total Debt Service" and the information under the column entitled "Combined Total Debt Service Senior Bonds" and only to the extent the information in these columns has changed.

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 Authority or related public entities, that have been submitted to the MSRB through the EMMA System.

### **Section 5. Reporting of Listed Events.**

(a) The Authority shall give, or cause to be given, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds not later than ten business days after the occurrence of 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 with respect to the tax status of the Series 2022-A Bonds or the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determination of taxability or of a Notice of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701 TEB) with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds;
6. Tender offers;
7. Defeasances;
8. Rating changes;
9. Bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of the Authority; or

Note: For the purposes of the event identified in subparagraph (a)(9), the event is considered to occur when any of the following occur: the appointment of a receiver, fiscal agent or similar officer for the Authority 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 Authority, 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 Authority.

10. Default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Authority, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

(b) The Authority shall give, or cause to be given, notice of the occurrence of any of the following events with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds, if material, not later than ten business days after the occurrence of the event:

1. Unless described in paragraph 5(a)(5), adverse tax opinions or other material notices or determinations by the Internal Revenue Service with respect to the tax status of the Series 2022-A Bonds or other material events affecting the tax status of the Series 2022-A Bonds;
2. Modifications to rights of the Owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds;
3. Optional, unscheduled or contingent bond calls;

4. Release, substitution or sale of property securing repayment of the Series 2022-A Bonds;
5. Non-payment related defaults;
6. The consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving the Authority or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Authority, 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 name of a trustee; or
8. Incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Authority, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Authority, any of which affect security holders.

(c) The Authority shall give, or cause to be given, in a timely manner, notice of a failure to provide the annual financial information on or before the date specified in Section 3(a) hereof, as provided in Section 3 hereof.

(d) Whenever the Authority obtains knowledge of the occurrence of a Listed Event described in Section 5(b) hereof, the Authority shall determine if such event would be material under applicable federal securities laws.

(e) If the Authority learns of an occurrence of a Listed Event described in Section 5(a) hereof, or determines that knowledge of a Listed Event described in Section 5(b) hereof would be material under applicable federal securities laws, the Authority shall within ten business days of occurrence file a notice of such occurrence with the MSRB through the EMMA System in electronic format, accompanied by such identifying information as is prescribed by the MSRB. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notice of the Listed Event described in subsections (a)(7) or (b)(3) need not be given under this subsection any earlier than the notice (if any) of the underlying event is given to Holders of affected Series 2022-A Bonds pursuant to the Agreement.

**Section 6. Remedies.** If the Authority shall fail to comply with any provision of this Certificate, then any Holder may enforce, for the equal benefit and protection of all Holders similarly situated, by mandamus or other suit or proceeding in law or in equity, this Certificate against the Authority and any of the officers, agents and employees of the Authority, and may compel the Authority or any such officers, agents or employees to perform and carry out their duties under this Certificate; provided that the sole and exclusive remedy for breach of this Certificate shall be an action to compel specific performance of the obligations of the Authority hereunder and no person or entity shall be entitled to recover monetary damages hereunder under any circumstances, and, provided further, that any challenge to the adequacy of any information provided pursuant to Section 4 or 5 hereof may be brought only by the Holders of 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Series 2022-A Bonds at the time outstanding. A failure by the Authority to comply with the provisions of this Certificate shall not constitute an Event of Default under the Agreement.

**Section 7. Parties in Interest.** This Certificate is executed and delivered solely for the benefit of the Holders. No other person shall have any right to enforce the provisions hereof or any other rights hereunder.

**Section 8. Amendment.** Without the consent of any Holders of Series 2022-A Bonds, the Authority at any time and from time to time may enter into any amendments or changes to this Certificate for any of the following purposes:

- (a) to comply with or conform to any changes in Rule 15c2-12 or any authoritative interpretations thereof by the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff (whether required or optional);
- (b) to add a dissemination agent for the information required to be provided hereby and to make any necessary or desirable provisions with respect thereto;
- (c) to evidence the succession of another person to the Authority and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of the Authority hereunder;
- (d) to add to the covenants of the Authority for the benefit of the Holders, or to surrender any right or power herein conferred upon the Authority; or
- (e) to modify the contents, presentation and format of the Annual Information from time to time as a result of 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 Authority, or type of business conducted; provided that (i) the certificate, as amended, would have complied with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 at the time of the offering of the Series 2022-A Bonds, after taking into account any amendments or authoritative interpretations of the Rule, as well as any change in circumstances; and (ii) the amendment or change does not materially impair the interests of Holders, as determined either by a party unaffiliated with the Authority (such as bond counsel), or by the vote or consent of Holders of a majority in outstanding principal amount of the Series 2022-A Bonds on or prior to the time of such amendment or change.

**Section 9. Termination of Obligation.** This Certificate shall remain in full force and effect until such time as all principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds shall have been paid in full or legally defeased pursuant to the Agreement. Upon any such legal defeasance, the Authority shall provide notice of such defeasance to the EMMA System. Such notice shall state whether the Series 2022-A Bonds have been defeased to maturity or to redemption and the timing of such maturity or redemption.

**Section 10. Governing Law.** THIS CERTIFICATE SHALL BE GOVERNED BY THE LAWS OF CALIFORNIA DETERMINED WITHOUT REGARD TO PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICT OF LAW.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Continuing Disclosure Certificate this [●] day of June, 2022.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN  
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Title \_\_\_\_\_

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## APPENDIX G

### BOOK-ENTRY-ONLY SYSTEM

#### Introduction

*Unless otherwise noted, the information contained under the subcaption “—General” below has been provided by DTC. LACMTA makes no representations as to the accuracy or completeness of such information. Further, LACMTA undertakes no responsibility for and makes no representations as to the accuracy or the completeness of the content of such material contained on DTC’s websites as described under “—General,” including, but not limited to, updates of such information or links to other Internet sites accessed through the aforementioned websites. The beneficial owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds should confirm the following information with DTC, the Direct Participants or the Indirect Participants.*

NEITHER LACMTA NOR THE TRUSTEE WILL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATION TO DIRECT PARTICIPANTS, TO INDIRECT PARTICIPANTS OR TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER WITH RESPECT TO (A) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC, ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR ANY INDIRECT PARTICIPANT; (B) ANY NOTICE THAT IS PERMITTED OR REQUIRED TO BE GIVEN TO THE OWNERS OF THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS UNDER THE AGREEMENT; (C) THE SELECTION BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY PERSON TO RECEIVE PAYMENT IN THE EVENT OF A PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS; (D) THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY DIRECT PARTICIPANT OR INDIRECT PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT TO THE OWNERS OF THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS; (E) ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC AS THE OWNER OF SERIES 2022-A BONDS; OR (F) ANY OTHER MATTER REGARDING DTC.

#### General

The Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, New York, will act as securities depository for the Series 2022-A Bonds. The Series 2022-A Bonds will be issued as fully-registered securities registered in the name of Cede & Co. (DTC’s partnership nominee) or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. One fully registered Bond certificate will be issued for each maturity of the Series 2022-A Bonds, each in the aggregate principal amount of such maturity, and will be deposited with DTC or held by the Trustee.

DTC, the world’s largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a “banking organization” within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a “clearing corporation” within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a “clearing agency” registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC’s participants (“Direct Participants”) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants’ accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (“DTCC”). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others

such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (“Indirect Participants”). DTC has a Standard & Poor’s rating of “AA+.” The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com).

Purchases of the Series 2022-A Bonds under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will receive a credit for the Series 2022-A Bonds on DTC’s records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Series 2022-A Bond (“Beneficial Owner”) is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants’ records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Series 2022-A Bonds are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Series 2022-A Bonds, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Series 2022-A Bonds is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all Series 2022-A Bonds deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC’s partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Series 2022-A Bonds with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Series 2022-A Bonds; DTC’s records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Series 2022-A Bonds are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Beneficial Owners of Series 2022-A Bonds may wish to take certain steps to augment the transmission to them of notices of significant events with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds, such as redemptions, tenders, defaults and proposed amendments to the Series 2022-A Bond documents. For example, Beneficial Owners of Series 2022-A Bonds may wish to ascertain that the nominee holding the Series 2022-A Bonds for their benefit has agreed to obtain and transmit notices to Beneficial Owners. In the alternative, Beneficial Owners may wish to provide their names and addresses to the registrar and request that copies of the notices be provided directly to them.

While the Series 2022-A Bonds are in the book-entry-only system, redemption notices will be sent to DTC. If less than all of the Series 2022-A Bonds within a maturity are being redeemed, DTC’s practice is to determine by lot the amount of the interest of each Direct Participant in such maturity to be redeemed.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC’s MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to LACMTA as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.’s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Series 2022-A Bonds are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Principal of and interest payments on the Series 2022-A Bonds will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC’s practice is to

credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from LACMTA or the Trustee, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name," and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, LACMTA, or the Trustee, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of principal and interest to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of LACMTA or the Trustee, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Series 2022-A Bonds at any time by giving reasonable notice to LACMTA or the Trustee. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Series 2022-A Bond certificates are required to be printed and delivered.

LACMTA may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Series 2022-A Bond certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this APPENDIX G concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that LACMTA believes to be reliable, but LACMTA takes no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

**BENEFICIAL OWNERS WILL NOT RECEIVE PHYSICAL DELIVERY OF SERIES 2022-A BONDS AND WILL NOT BE RECOGNIZED BY THE TRUSTEE AS OWNERS THEREOF, AND BENEFICIAL OWNERS WILL BE PERMITTED TO EXERCISE THE RIGHTS OF OWNERS ONLY INDIRECTLY THROUGH DTC AND THE PARTICIPANTS.**

In the event that the book-entry-only system is discontinued, payments of principal of and interest on the Series 2022-A Bonds will be payable as described in the front part of this Official Statement under the caption "DESCRIPTION OF THE SERIES 2022-A BONDS—General."