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

We are engaged to audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of City of Palm Springs for the year ended June 30, 2011. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit. We would also appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to discuss this information further since a two-way dialogue can provide valuable information for the audit process.

**Our Responsibility under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standard**

As stated in our engagement letter, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to express opinions about whether the financial statements prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your responsibilities.

**Other information in Documents Containing Audited Financial Statements**

Our responsibility for the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, as described by professional standards, is to evaluate the presentation of the supplementary information in relation to the financial statements as a whole and to report on whether the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

**Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit**

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements; therefore, our audit will involve judgment about the number of transactions to be examined and the areas to be tested.

Our audit will include obtaining an understanding of the entity and its environment, including internal control, sufficient to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and to design the nature, timing, and extent of further audit procedures. Material misstatements may result from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity. We will communicate our significant findings at the conclusion of the audit. We will also communicate any internal control related matters that are required to be communicated under professional standards.

We expect to begin our audit in approximately the second quarter of 2011 and issue our report by the date previously agreed to by management.



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

Very truly yours,

*Lance, Solt & Loughard, LLP*