

TOWN OF FAIRFAX STAFF REPORT February 5, 2020

- TO: Mayor and Town Council
- **FROM:** Janet Garvin, Town Treasurer
- SUBJECT: Receive Treasurer's Report as of December 31, 2019

RECOMMENDATION

Receive Treasurer's Report.

DISCUSSION

California Government Code requires that the Town Treasurer submit to the Town Clerk and the legislative body periodic written reports of fund balances. The last Treasurer's Report was for September 30, 2019, presented at the December 4, 2019 meeting.

Cash balances are:

	<u>As of Dec. 31, 2019</u>	<u>As of Dec. 31, 2018</u>
Bank of Marin checking LAIF account	\$ 579,713 <u>3,888,063</u>	\$ 598,433 <u>4,914,876</u>
Total cash	<u>\$ 4,467,776</u>	<u>\$ 5,513,309</u>

Interest rates in recent years have climbed steadily since the low point in May 2014, when the rate was 0.228%. However, lower interest rates in 2019, most recently following from the Federal Reserve's September 18, 2019 and October 30, 2019 rate cuts to the benchmark interest rate, will continue to affect the Town's interest rate earnings and projections. On January 29 the Federal Reserve voted to leave the benchmark interest rate steady (at the 1.50%-1.75% range) while it monitors economic signals.

State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) earned 2.29% for the quarter ending December 31, 2019, compared with the December 2018 interest rate of 2.21%. Interest earned for the quarter ending December 31, 2019 was \$12,277 compared with \$19,567 in interest earned for the quarter ended December 31, 2018.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Most recent LAIF performance report
- B. LAIF Regular Monthly Statement as of December 31, 2019