

**Measure T Citizens' Oversight Committee
Executive Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, June 24, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m.

Place: Madera County Transportation Commission Conference Room
2001 Howard Road, Suite 201, Madera, CA 93637

Members Present: Chairman Jon Basila, District 1
Dennis Holschlag, District 2
John Reed, District 5
Tom Swire, At-large

Members Absent: Sue Saunders, District 3
Cathie Bustos, District 4
Janan Hebert, At-large

Vacant Seats: None

Local Agency Staff: Ellen Bitter, City of Madera
Jared Carter, County of Madera
Jerry Jackson, County of Madera

MCTA Staff: Troy McNeil, Fiscal Supervisor
Sandy Ebersole, Grants Analyst

Auditor: David Dybas, Price Paige & Company

Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Jon Basila called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Committee Members and Agency Staff introduced themselves.

I. Public Comment

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the Committee on items within its jurisdiction but not on the agenda. Note: Prior to action by the Committee on any item on this agenda, the public may comment on that item.

There were no public comments.

II. Minutes of November 5, 2014 Citizens' Oversight Committee Meeting

Upon motion by Mr. Basila, seconded by Mr. Swire, the November 5, 2014 Executive Minutes were approved as written. A vote was called and the motion carried.

III. FY 2012/13 Measure T Compliance Audits

MCTA's financial statements and the Agency compliance audits for fiscal year 2012/13 were audited by Price Paige & Company who presented and explained the audits to the Committee. No adverse findings were reported in the FY 2012/13 Measure T compliance audits.

IV. FY 2013/14 Measure T Compliance Audits

MCTA's financial statements and the Agency compliance audits for fiscal year 2013/14 were audited by Price Paige & Company who presented and explained the audits to the Committee. No adverse findings were reported in the FY 2013/14 Measure T compliance audits.

V. FY 2013/14 Annual Report to the Public

Troy McNeil presented to the Committee members the Citizens' Oversight Committee the Annual Report to the Public in the form of an annual newsletter. The newsletter summarizes the Committee's review of MCTA's financial reports and audits and provides a brief description of projects funded by Measure T funds. Minor changes were made to the Annual Report. The amended Report was approved upon motion by Mr. Basila, seconded by Mr. Holschlag. A vote was called and the motion carried.

VI. Annual Work Program

a. Local Program Updates

City of Madera

Ellen Bitter from the City of Madera summarized a City Street Maintenance Program for FY 2014/15. Ms. Bitter noted the projects completed with Measure T funds as well as the finishing of the Fourth Street widening in the median islands. The median islands do not yet have any landscaping due to the drought. The next large projects that utilize Measure T funding will be Lake Street from the Fresno River to Cleveland Avenue and Olive Avenue from Gateway to Roosevelt. The projects will be out to bid FY 15/16 and FY 16/17 respectively. Surface seals on arterials and collectors around the city will be under construction by the end of July.

Other Measure T projects include ADA compliance for the path of travel and environmental enhancement funds used for bike lanes and bike paths. More bus shelters will be placed around the City as well as a new City Transit facility at Pine Street and Pecan Avenue

County of Madera

Jared Carter from the Madera County Public Works outlined its Rehabilitation, Reconstruction and Maintenance Program for FY 2014/15. Mr. Carter provided an update on regional projects as well as basic road maintenance. The FY 15/16 plan awarded shortlisted Federal Land access program funding for the rehabilitation of a major stretch of Road 26 to Eastman Lake. The project requires a match and the County is reserving Measure T funds. The County leveraged funding for Avenue 9 rehabilitation. Measure T funds are being used to leverage other funding for projects.

Mr. Carter also explained the County Maintenance District funds program. He explained the profits of partnering with Maintenance Districts to use Measure T funds in order to leverage other funds for completion of Maintenance District projects.

b. Regional Program Update

Staff provided an update on regional projects Phase I and Phase II. Phase I projects included the Ellis Avenue Overcrossing, Fourth Street Widening, Avenue 12 interchange, SR 41 passing lanes and environmental study for Avenue 12 to Avenue 17.

The Ellis project is completed. The Fourth Street widening is complete except for the landscape in the medians. The Avenue 12 interchange is currently under construction and has leveraged 51 million dollars from a bond, 20 million dollars from state funding, the remainder of the funding comes from Measure T. The completion date is December 2016. The environmental study is being completed on the SR 99 widening and the Oakhurst midtown connector project. Funding projection is FY 17/18.

VII. Other Items

- a. Annual Work Program.
- b. The next meeting will be scheduled when the FY 2014/15 Audits are completed.
- c. The Compliance Audits will be discussed at the next meeting.
- d. There are 3 vacant positions on the Citizens Oversight Committee that need to be filled. Open positions are Districts 1 and 2 and a position is open for a Member at Large.

VIII. Adjournment at 6:30.