



CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee Meeting Action Summary

Date: Thursday, September 14, 2023

Time: 4:00 PM

**Place: COG Sequoia Conference Room
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA**

Members Present:

Emily Brandt, Dist. 1 Member

Gil Miller, Public-at-Large

Roshandra Cureton, Edison Tigers Boys Basketball

Bill Jordan, League of Women Voters (Via- Phone In)

Samuel Molina, Binational of Central Calif.
Shannon Avilla, First Steps Recovery

Others Attending:

Denise DiBenedetto, Fresno County
Transportation Authority

Stephanie Maxwell, Fresno COG
Jake Martinez, Fresno COG

Jake Martinez called the meeting to order at 4:08

I. Presentations

About Presentations:

This portion of the meeting was reserved for persons wishing to address the Committee on items within its jurisdiction but not on this agenda.

Item VII was moved to the top of the agenda due to there being no chairperson. Shannon Avilla was appointed chairperson of the COC. Jake Martinez oversaw the meeting just for that day.

II. Action Summary for April 13, 2023 Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee Meeting [Jake Martinez]

A motion was made by Shannon Avila and seconded by Emily Brandt to approve the April 13, 2023 Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee Action Summary. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

III. Executive Minutes for June 8, 2023 Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee Meeting

A motion was made by Shannon Avila and seconded by Roshanda Cureton to approve the June 8, 2023 Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee Executive Minutes. A vote was called for and the motion was carried.

IV. Measure C Extension Local Transportation Program Agency Audit [Denise DiBenedetto]

Denise DiBenedetto reported on this item. Price Paige & Company Accountancy Corporation was retained by the Authority to perform the audit of finances on all local agencies receiving Measure C Extension revenue as required in the 2006 Measure C Extension Expenditure Plan. The firm had recently completed their audits of finances and submitted the final reports of the agencies listed below for fiscal years ending June 30, 2021 and June 30, 2022, which had been provided in the committee packet. In summary, the firm stated that local agencies continue to adhere to the record keeping and reporting requirements, as well as proper expenditure of Measure C funds in accordance with provisions of the Measure C Transportation Sales Tax Extension.

- FY/21 City of Fowler
- FY/21 City of Mendota
- FY/21 City of Selma
- FY/22 City of Fowler
- FY/22 City of Kerman
- FY/22 City of Reedley
- FY/22 Fresno Council of Government
- FY/22 Fresno County Rural Transit Agency
- FY/22 County of Fresno

The City of Kerman will be brought back to the next meeting.

A motion was made by Gail Miller and seconded by Roshanda Cureton to approve FCOG, FCRTA, County of Fresno and the all the Cities except the City of Kerman. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

V. Measure C COC Local Agency Budget form review for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 [Jake Martinez]

Jake Martinez reported on this item. Each fiscal year the Citizen Oversight Committee (COC) asked all local agencies receiving Measure C Local Transportation Pass-Through Funds to complete a reporting of how they expected to spend the current year's Measure C Local Program allocations. The request went out to local agencies via a form that staff updates and emails out each year.

To date, the following required Local Agency Budget Forms were completed and returned for COC review by local agencies:

- City of Firebaugh

A motion was made by Roshanda Cureton and seconded by Shannon Avila to approve the City of Firebaugh. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

VI. Measure C COC Local Agency Budget form review for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 [Jake Martinez]

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To date, the following required Local Agency Budget Forms were completed and returned for COC review by local agencies:

- City of Coalinga
- City of Kingsburg

The City of Coalinga will be brought back to the next meeting.

A motion was made by Roshanda Cureton and seconded by Shannon Avila to approve the City of Kingsburg. A vote was called for and the motion carried.

VII. Items from Staff [Jake Martinez]

A. Upcoming 2023 COC meeting dates - please reserve these dates from 4-6:00 pm

- October 12th
- November 2nd
- December 7th

Denise DiBenedetto informed the committee that the annual report will be coming up and that volunteers were needed to put it together. Shannon Avila, Roshanda Cureton, and Bill Jordon volunteered to put the annual report together.

B. Items for the next agenda

C. Upcoming Meetings/Events of other related Boards/Committees

September

- Fresno COG Transportation Technical Committee - Friday, September 8, 2023 at 8:30 AM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room
- Fresno COG Policy Advisory Committee - Friday, September 8, 2023 at 10:00 AM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room

- Fresno COG Policy Board - Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 5:30 PM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room

October

- Fresno COG Transportation Technical Committee - Friday, October 13, 2023 at 8:30 AM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room
- Fresno COG Policy Advisory Committee - Friday, October 13, 2023 at 10:00 AM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room
- Fresno COG Policy Board - Thursday, October 26, 2023 at 5:30 PM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room

Adjourned

A motion was made by Shannon Avilla and seconded by Samuel Molina to adjourn the meeting at 4:34 pm. A vote was called for and the motion carried.