CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee Meeting

Action Summary

Date: Wednesday, November 4, 2026
Time: 5:00 PM
Place: COG Ash Conference Room
2035 Tulare St., Suite 201, Fresno, CA

Members Present:

Ali Nekumanesh, Public-at-Large
David Martin, Public-at-Large
Donna Silva, Public-at-Large
Gail Miller, WTS
Jenn Guerra, Cultural Arts Rotary Club
Luisa Medina, League of Women Voters
Shannon Avilla, First Steps Recovery

Members Absent:

Eddie Hunsaker, Public-at-Large
Louis Herrera, Public-at-Large

Others Attending:

Denise DiBenedetto, FCTA
Moses Stites, FCTA
Jake Martinez, Fresno COG
Julie Saldivar, Fresno COG

Shannon Avilla called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

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.

Note: Prior to action by the Committee on any item on this agenda, the public may comment on that item. Unscheduled comments may be limited to 3 minutes.

II. Minutes for October 7, 2026 Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee Meeting

A motion was made by Luisa Medina and seconded by Donna Silva to approve the October 7, 2026, Measure C Citizen Oversight Committee minutes. A vote was called and the motion carried.

III. E Bike Safety Campaign Presentation [Moses Stites]

Moses Stites reported on this item The FCTA Board approved JSA's proposed E-Bike Safety Education Campaign during its October 14, 2026, meeting. The campaign was developed in response to increasing injuries and fatalities involving E-Bikes and E-Scooters. At the Board's direction, JSA created educational materials to promote safety awareness and be shared with partnering agencies.

This is information only. No action is needed from the Oversight Committee.

IV. Measure C Extension Local Agency Audits [Denise DiBenedetto]

Denise DiBenedetto reported on this item. Price Paige & Company Certified Public Accountants, retained by the Authority to audit local agencies receiving Measure C Extension funds, has completed and submitted its audit reports for FY2023, FY2024, and FY2025, including the FY2024 City of Sanger and FY2025 City of Clovis. Overall, the audits found that local agencies continue to comply with recordkeeping and reporting requirements and properly expend Measure C funds in accordance with the Measure C Transportation Sales Tax Extension. Audits for the remaining agencies are currently underway and are expected to be presented at the next Committee meeting. These include Huron and Orange Cove for FY2023; Fowler, Huron, and Orange Cove for FY2024; and Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Orange Cove, Parlier, San Joaquin, and Sanger for FY2025.

A motion was made by Ali Nekumanesh and seconded by Luisa Medina to approve and accept audit reports as presented. A vote was called and the motion carried.

V. Local Transportation Pass-Through Projects and Programs Annual Reporting Requirements and Submittals for Measure C Extension FY 2025-26 Funds [Denise DiBenedetto]

Denise DiBenedetto reported on this item. In accordance with the Fresno County Transportation Authority's adopted procedures for administering Measure C Extension funds, local agencies are required to submit annual expenditure reports for local transportation pass-through projects, programs, and short-term regional transportation projects. For FY2025-26, Fresno Airports and Fresno Area Express (FAX) have submitted their Measure C Extension Expenditure Reports and met the required reporting deadline.

A motion was made by Luisa Medina and seconded by Donna Silva to review and accept expenditure reports as presented. A vote was called and the motion carried.

VI. Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Local Agency Budget Forms (LABF) [Jake Martinez]

Jake Martinez reported on this item. Each fiscal year, the Citizen Oversight Committee (COC) requests that local agencies receiving Measure C Local Transportation Pass-Through Funds submit budget forms outlining their anticipated expenditures for the current year's allocations. Staff updates and distributes the forms annually for completion and review. To date, the City of Clovis, City of Coalinga, City of Fowler, City of Fresno, City of Mendota, and Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA) have submitted their required Local Agency Budget Forms for COC review.

A motion was made by Luisa Medina and seconded by David Martin to review and accept the LABFs as presented. A vote was called and the motion carried.

VII. Items from Members

A committee member requested clarification regarding the Regional Transportation Mitigation Fee. Staff explained that they are waiting for Les Beshears, the Finance Director, to present the information to the respective boards before providing further clarification.

VIII. Items from Staff

A. Upcoming 2026 COC meeting dates – please reserve these dates from 5-7:00 pm

- December 2

B. Upcoming 2027 COC meeting dates – please reserve these dates from 5-7:00 p.m.

- January 6
- February 3
- March 3
- April 7
- May 5
- June 1
- July 7
- August 4
- September 1
- October 6
- November 3
- December 1

C. Items for the next agenda

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

December

- **Fresno COG Transportation Technical Committee** – Friday, December 11, at 8:30 AM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room
- **Fresno COG Policy Advisory Committee** – Friday, December 11, at 10:00 AM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room
- **Fresno COG Policy Board** – Thursday, December 17, at 5:30 PM in-person at Fresno Council of Governments Sequoia Conference Room

Adjourned

Meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.