



MINUTES

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

10:00 AM

Measure M Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:
Linda Briskman – Vice Chair
Ryan Campbell
Richard Stanger
Virginia Tanzmann**

CALLED TO ORDER: 10:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

1. SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR

2025-0074

RECEIVED remarks by the Chair.

Vice Chair Briskman let the public know that there are currently 2 vacancies on the Committee. The vacancies have specific requirements to qualify and if interested, visit the Measure M website for further information. The Board Clerk added that members of the public are welcome to email BoardClerk@metro.net for further information as well.

LB	RC	RS	VT	PR (Chair)
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2. SUBJECT: MINUTES

2025-0152

APPROVED Minutes of the Measure M Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Meeting held December 11, 2024.

LB	RC	RS	VT	PR (Chair)
Y	Y	Y	Y	A

3. SUBJECT: COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS FOR METRO CAPITAL PROJECTS

2025-0176

RECEIVED oral report on cost-benefit analysis for Metro capital projects.

Director Stanger asked for clarification regarding whether the cost-benefit analysis would be completed for a project on its own. Normally cost-benefits analyses are used to compare several project candidates to each other. Staff responded that the framework is still under development but that it can be used for specific projects. Director Tanzmann added that she would like environmental benefits included in the framework.

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LB = L. Briskman	RC = R. Campbell	RS = R. Stanger	VT = V. Tanzmann	PR = P. Rajmaira
LEGEND: Y = YES, N = NO, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, P = PRESENT				

4. SUBJECT: MEASURE M AUDITS OF FISCAL YEAR 2024

2025-0057

RECEIVED AND FILED the Independent Auditor's Report on:

- A. Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures for Measure M Special Revenue Fund for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024, completed by BCA Watson Rice, LLP (BCA);
- B. Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Measure M Ordinance and Measure M Local Return Guidelines for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024, completed by Vasquez & Company, LLP (Vasquez); and
- C. Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Measure M Ordinance and Measure M Local Return Guidelines for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024, completed by Simpson & Simpson, CPAs (Simpson).

Director Campbell asked for clarification on the audits for Huntington Park and the City of Compton, including next steps. Staff said they issued a letter to the cities. The City of Huntington Park was able to perform some parts of their procedure, so they issued a modified opinion. In regard to the City of Compton, the biggest issue is that the city did not have their local funds separated by bank account and they will open different bank accounts for each fund. Additionally, they will go through a full audit again next year. The city is experiencing staff turnover and has a backlog of audits yet to be completed for years 2020, 2021, and 2022. If they do not pass their audit, Metro can withhold funding until they pass their audit.

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**5. SUBJECT: TRANSIT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUDGET
AND SERVICE METRICS**

2025-0062

RECEIVED oral report on review of the Measure M transit operations budget and countywide bus service metrics to support discussion on the effective and efficient use of funds.

Director Stanger commented that based on the table, it is difficult to separate Measure M operating funds from other sales tax funds, yet Measure M's oversight committee is the only oversight committee that reviews operations funding. Because the operating funds of all sales tax measures are lumped together, it makes no sense to have just the Measure M oversight committee (or any oversight committee) overseeing transit operating funds.

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Vice Chair Briskman asked where the funding will come from for new security measures to which staff responded that it would come from operations and capital budgets.

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6. SUBJECT: LOCAL RETURN

2025-0061

RECEIVED oral report on Local Return programmed revenues and uses for Los Angeles County jurisdictions to support discussion on the effective and efficient use of funds.

Vice Chair Briskman asked what happens if revenues do not keep up with projects that are already in the works. Staff answered that although it is not an issue they have encountered, cities are able to keep a reserve, and they will need to mitigate that issue if they encounter it.

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7. SUBJECT: STATE OF GOOD REPAIR

2024-1019

RECEIVED oral report on State of Good Repair budget and expenses.

LB	RC	RS	VT	PR (Chair)
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8. SUBJECT: ORAL REPORT ON TRANSIT AND HIGHWAY CAPITAL PROJECTS

2025-0060

RECEIVED oral report on Transit and Highway Capital Projects to support discussion on the effective and efficient use of funds.

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Discussion ensued regarding operating plans for future projects with clarification coming from staff that if the project is coming online in 2025, then its operating plan and operating costs have already been approved by the board and is available to share with the committee. If the project is slated to come online further out, estimated operating costs are likely still in development.

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9. SUBJECT: MEASURE M ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION UPDATES **2025-0051**

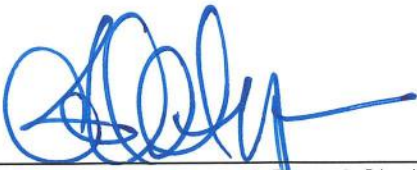
RECEIVED oral report on Measure M Active Transportation, programmed revenues, and uses to support discussion on the effective and efficient use of funds.

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RECEIVED General Public Comment.

ADJOURNED AT 11:33 A.M.

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