

### **MINUTES**

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 9:00 AM

# Independent Citizen's Advisory and Oversight Committee

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Louis Moret, Chair Brian Russell, Vice Chair Belinda Faustinos Dwight Ham

**CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM** 

#### 1. SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR

2024-0112

RECEIVED remarks by the Chair.

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### 2. SUBJECT: MINUTES

2024-0114

APPROVED Minutes of Meeting held March 13, 2023.

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## 3. SUBJECT: PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C AUDITS OF FISCAL YEAR 2023

2024-0079

RECEIVED AND FILED the Independent Auditor's Report on:

- A. Schedules of Revenues and Expenditures for Proposition A and Proposition C Special Revenue Funds for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2023, completed by BCA Watson Rice, LLP (BCA);
- B. Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Proposition A and Proposition C Ordinances and Local Return Guidelines for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2023, completed by Vasquez & Company, LLP (Vasquez); and
- C. Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Proposition A and Proposition C Ordinances and Local Return Guidelines for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2023, completed by Simpson & Simpson, CPAs (Simpson).

APPROVED motion by Director Ham, amended by Director Faustinos, to report back in 90 days on the timeline and progress of the work that has been completed to rectify the deficiencies found by Vasquez & Company, LLP, at the City of Huntington Park.

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LEGEND: Y = YES, N = NO, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, P = PRESENT

Discussion occurred between the Directors, auditors, and staff, reiterating that as committee members, they are there to be good stewards of taxpayer funds. As an oversight committee, the auditors' presentations are important to shed light on how funds are spent by individual cities and when deficiencies are found. Metro staff added that relationship building, and collaboration is the best course of action forward to get the cities back on track.

### 4. SUBJECT: ORAL REPORT ON LOCAL RETURN

2024-0101

RECEIVE oral report on Local Return programmed revenues and uses for Los Angeles County jurisdictions.

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Director Ham asked about Metro's ability to handle the crowds and transportation needs for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games and asked for a presentation that includes the plan.

Director Faustinos inquired about cities promoting projects that fall into the "other" category and staff responded that when Propositions A and C were originally passed by the voters, there were not as many subsets as there are now, such as bikeshare, so these types of projects fall into those "other" categories and cities are welcome to promote those projects.

### **RECEIVED General Public Comment** – none.

### ADJOURNED AT 10:05 A.M.

Prepared by: Collette Langston

Board Clerk, Board Administration

Collette Langston, Board Clerk