

Measure L Citizens' Oversight  
Committee Report  
2016-2017

May 16, 2018

# Committee Report Requirement

## Ridgecrest Municipal Code Chapter 3 Section 2.117

- (1) Review all appropriations of revenues received by the City from the sales and use taxes imposed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to determine whether such funds are to be used as provided for in this chapter and the voter-approved measure that adopted this chapter;
- (2) Reviewing the audit prepared by an independent auditor retained by the City to perform the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report to determine whether such funds have been spent as provided for in this chapter and the voter approved measure; and
- (3) Prepare and issue the committee's own annual report setting forth their findings in regard to the foregoing

**Measure L ballot to be voted on June 5, 2012. Measure L will “established a locally-controlled source of revenue for community’s services”.**

Service priorities to be maintained by Measure L:

- Police officers & neighborhood police patrols
  - City streets & pothole repair
  - 9-1-1 emergency response times
- Anti-gang programs that keep youth off the streets
  - Crime prevention & investigation

Measure L information flyer

# MLCOC Information

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## 2 Financial information

- CAFR with independent auditor assessment
- Measure L and Measure V Budget plan and actual
  - Measure L and Measure V monthly funding receipts
  - Expenditure reports traceable to Measure L and Measure V income total

# Executive Summary

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- Reporting Period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017
  - Measures L and V generated \$3,388,680
  - Carryover from last reporting period \$662,484
  - Expenditures totaled \$3,084,706
  - Carryover into next fiscal year \$966,459
  
- Findings
  - Measure L and V funds were allocated entirely to Public Safety and Public Works
    - Transit expenses were 2.2% of total expenditures
  - This source of revenue has mitigated the impact on other city operations revenue
  - Street maintenance and repair is detailed in the full MLCOC Report
  
- Recommendations
  - Increase expenditures on street repair, maintenance and construction
  - Continue a budget set aside from Measure V to ensure matching funds for Federal and State funding, if it becomes available

# Measures L&V Funding Summary

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## Measure L Funds

Prior Year Carryover	\$662,484
Sales Tax – Measure L	\$2,632,801
Sales Tax – Measure V	\$ 755,879
Expenditures:	
Police Department	\$2,213,503
Engineering	\$ 79,083
Transit/Other	\$ 66,765
Streets Maint/Const	<u>\$ 725,354</u>
Total Expenditures	\$3,084,706
Carryover to FY2017-2018	\$ 966,459

# Street Maintenance 2016-2017

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- Funds paid for labor to cap, prepare and rehabilitate streets.
- Prepared 22 Street locations
- Cold Mix for Preparation Locations:
  - Hermosa Ave
  - Luna Way
  - Ginger Ave
  - Bataan Ave
  - Mahan Ave
  - Downs St.
- Cold Mix Resurfacing Locations:
  - Station Ave
  - Coso Ave

# Findings

- Measure L/V funds were allocated entirely to Public Safety and Public Works for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 consistent with the prior years
- One difference this Fiscal Year was that \$60,000 was transferred to the TDA Transit Fund
- Annual spending on streets maintenance is less than \$1.5M over 15 years as recommended to achieve overall improvement of the street network (reference Public Works' Pavement Management System study dated June 1, 2011 by Willdan Engineering)
- Funding for the Police Department increased by \$432,008 from the previous Fiscal Year
- No TAB funding was received for street maintenance this Fiscal Year.