



## Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee

1<sup>st</sup> Floor City Council Conference Room Area 'B'

Monday October 28, 2013

### APPROVED MINUTES

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

George 'Andy' Anderson, Lance 'Scott' Garver,  
Michael Petersen, Phil Salvatore, Eddie Thomas

#### Regular Meeting – 5:30 p.m.

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#### CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 5:33

#### ROLL CALL

Present: E. Thomas, P. Salvatore, A. Anderson, M. Petersen,  
Absent: S. Garver,  
Staff: Chief R. Strand, K. Harker, D. Speer,

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** *Motion To Approve Agenda Was Made By Mr. Petersen Second by Mr. Anderson. Motion Carried By Voice Vote of 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain. The Chair has asked the committee if they can table the last two items for the next meeting on November 25, 2013 due to the fact that Mr. Garver is unable and would like to be present for the items. The Chair asked for a motion to Approve with the above change.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** *Motion To Approve Minutes of October 28, 2013 Meeting Was Made By Mr. Garver Second by Mr. Petersen. Motion Carried By Voice Vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays, 2 Absent, 0 Abstain. In the footer need to change the date to change to 2013 instead of 2014*

#### PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

#### DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

- **13/14 budget compilation**

Phil Salvatore presented on the overhead projector his spreadsheets and the FY 14 Measure L Expenditure Report. All the number have been put into the FY 2014 for the Police Fund and Gas Tax fund. Mr. Salvatore explained the Notes of the FY 14 Budget and how Ms. McQuiston handles the Support to Other Funds. The Engineering amount of money goes into the General Fund money and Mr. Salvatore should go into the Engineering account which is about 119K. Mr. Salvatore showed the percentage of the departments over the years and how they have been spent over the years. Mr. Salvatore presented his notes for the committee to review so that they had a reference on how he came up with his calculations. He also noted in his notes the areas of the ISF funds. This shows how the ISF funds changed names and how many there were from

year to year. The Measure L Expenditure Report showed what the City projected in revenues and how much has come in as of October 28, 2013. There was discussion about the Revenue that was received from Measure L in FY 12/13. Mr. Speer indicated that it was in the range of 360K and that Ms. McQuiston was thinking that it should go to the Street Department due to the lost of revenue mid-year.

Mr. Salvatore asked that the Newspaper put some of this out into the City so that the citizens would be able to see it. Mr. Petersen suggested that we put it into an easier format for people to see and he suggested that he would work on something that will be in a graph or chart form to get to the committee. He will get that to Ms. Harker and she will get it to the committee and then get it to press for publication.

- **Quarterly Report**

We are still having a hard time getting the minutes up on the website.

- **Discussion about Grand Jury Recommendation for the City Council to meet with Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee – Tabled and moved to the next meeting**
- **Discussion of Invitation to the City Council – Tabled and moved to the next meeting**

## **CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

- Mr. Anderson – thank you for getting the information that you have put together Mr. Salvatore. I now have at least some knowledge of the budget in the past and how it works. You have also showed how the CAFR works and how to read the numbers
- Mr. Salvatore – nothing at this time
- Mr. Anderson – I look forward to looking at more information and looking at the audit that is being done at this time. I will like to have more factual information and more data.
- Mr. Thomas – thank you for all you hard work. Thanked the staff for participating with the committee

## **SUPPORT STAFF COMMENTS**

Dennis Speer – Wanted to discuss the Grand Jury and what the City responded to. He realizes that the discussion was tabled but was hoping that he could bring some clarity. Mr. Speer discussed what the Grand Jury stated in their letter and his response. Mr. Speer only has a short period of time to respond to the Grand Jury. He read his response. His basic intent was to let the Grand Jury know that the Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee did have regular meetings and that they were an independent committee of the City Council.

Mr. Anderson seems to think that we have had regular meetings and that with staffs continued support that the information the committee needed the committee has been able to get.

Many of the other committee members felt the same way and were happy with how things were going.

Mr. Speer also wanted to let the committee know that on October 8<sup>th</sup> the City of Ridgecrest know has 6.2 million dollars for the West Ridgecrest Blvd. and construction work would begin March or April.

Chief Strand - Extensive crime scene and are continuing with working it. Regarding the Grand Jury you have access with City Staff through Mr. Speer, Ms. Harker and I and I believe that this is a good way to keep the lines of communications open.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- **Quarterly Report**
- **Discussion about Grand Jury Recommendation for the City Council to meet with Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee – Tabled and moved to the next meeting**
- **Discussion of Invitation to the City Council – Tabled and moved to the next meeting**  
**Mr. Anderson asked that the letters be put into the agenda packet for the meeting.**
- **Copy of Plan of West Ridgecrest Boulevard**

**NEXT MEETING: November 25, 2013**

**ADJOURNMENT**