



Measure L Citizens' Oversight Committee

1st Floor City Council Conference Room Area 'B'

Monday May 13, 2013

APPROVED MINUTED

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 5:34 pm

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Andy Anderson, Lance 'Scott' Garver, Michael Petersen, Phil Salvatore, Eddie Thomas

Members Absent: Dennis Speer, Ron Strand

Staff Present: Paul Wheeler, Karen Harker

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Chairman Thomas asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Salvatore made the motion, seconded Mr. Anderson. Karen Harker The agenda was then approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Chairman Thomas asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from April 22, 2013. Karen Harker indicated that the approval of minutes were not in the agenda packet and will defer to the next meeting of June 10, 2013.

- **Approval of Minutes – April 13, 2013**

PUBLIC COMMENT OF ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No public comment

DISCUSSION AND OTHER ACTION ITEMS

1. Police budget and Staffing History

Phil Salvatore presented his budget history of the police department from the years 2004-2013. This information he received from Tess Sloan was from the Finance Department. Every time that he goes poking around the numbers he comes up with different numbers. Mr. Salvatore noticed that in the Public Works budget showed a zero budget in the year 2007. Public Safety will include street

lighting, disaster preparedness, and capital outlay. Mr. Salvatore spoke to the ISF and how they equated to the budget. It was in 2008 that they pulled out the ISF. Discussed how the ISF items jumped around from year to year and how do they manage these accounts. Discussed staffing issues with the PD. Captain Wheeler stated that we have been down a dispatcher for quite some time. We don't get help with our dispatching from Kern County. We do help with our radio system from Kern County. The other slides I'm not going to speak to just wanted you to have the information. Each year shows the positions of the department so the committee can see what is happening with the department. Main things reconcile the ISF and capital outlay and 36k that went to Parks and Recreation. Captain Wheeler indicated that ISF doesn't pay for major repairs to vehicle maintenance new engines, transmissions. Need to identify the RDA money that was supporting police officers all the way back to 2004. This will allow for citizens to see the RDA Officers along with the Measure L funds and how the staffing levels.

Stan Ratorja – RDA was funding police officers for several years. Years 12/13 doesn't have administrative cost and looking forward next year the ISF will be going away.

Mike Neel – City has not had a real audit more of an addition and subtraction instead of revenues and expenditures. Numbers in the CAFR and the numbers in the expenditures... I think that they are in the capital outlay. Capital outlay is vests, cars, weapons. No labor in the capital outlay.

Mr. Anderson – very frustrated that there is no budget that can balance to find the numbers that we need.

Mr. Taylor – Code Enforcement went to the Police Department. Grant money would show up for capital outlay through as Air Quality as a revenue or grants.

Captain Wheeler - Grant based on current crime rate. 2009 22K then 16K as the crime rate dropped 10K was the last grant amount. All these grants are for equipment.

The Committee and Citizen discussed grants and how this affects the budget and how to use this with the Measure L Money.

2. Update to quarterly report – Petersen
Have not made updates from last meeting and have not received any new updates. Will be color coding the council and committee so that we can see the progression. The next delivery will be August 31, 2013. We will have the Police Budgetary report. I'm open to hear comments regarding the quarterly report from the committee.

Mr. Neel within the next week or two and the major one will be the August 31, 2013

CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Anderson – budget cuts this year. Use a General Formula.

Salvatore – no comments. A budget that was executable. What if they didn't have the Measure L money.

Garver –

What is the number of officers -20 officer. Chief Strand asking 1.3 million. Good faith or overlay. Discussed the baseline of police or streets with backfill of the Measure L funding. Now they are saying they are cutting the officers and then using Measure L to backfill. Mr. Garver discussed how disappointed he is about it.

City Council seems to be doing the job for us and by not making them whole.

Thomas – Gather the information; wait to see what happens,

Petersen – looking at the draft budget can provide respond and communicate to the public and bring back to the council what the measure L money was intended for. Wait to see what happens.

SUPPORT STAFF COMMENTS

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- **Continuation of RPD Budget and History: Grants and RDA**
- **Update to quarterly report**
- **Discussion of Budget for 2014**

NEXT MEETING: Meeting June 10, 2013

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 6:50