

Measure T Citizens' Oversight Committee Executive Minutes

Date: Thursday, January 8, 2009
Time: 6 p.m.
Place: Madera County Transportation Commission Conference Room
2001 Howard Road, Suite 201, Madera, CA 93637

Members Present: Chairman Jon Basila, District 1
Vice Chairman Tom Swire, Member At Large
Dennis Holschlag, Member At Large
José J. Munera, District 2
Cynthia Ortegón, District 3

Members Absent: Cathie Bustos, District 4
Russell Shaw, District 5

Local Agency Staff: Matt Bullis, City of Madera Public Works
Keith Helmuth, City of Madera
Johannes Hovertsz, County of Madera

MCTA Staff: Derek Winning, Deputy Director
Troy McNeil, Planner I
Richard Poythress, Planner I

Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Chairman Basila called the meeting to order.

I. Public Comment

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons wishing to address the Committee on items within its jurisdiction but not on the agenda. Note: Prior to action by the Committee on any item on this agenda, the public may comment on that item.

There were no public comments.

II. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Chairman Basila opened the floor for nomination for Chairman. Chairman Basila was renominated. Seeing there were no other nominations, a motion was called and seconded to close the floor and reelect Chairman Basila. A vote was called and the motion carried.

Chairman Basila opened the floor for nomination for Vice Chairman. Vice Chairman Swire was renominated. Seeing there were no other nominations, a motion was called and seconded to close the floor and reelect Vice Chairman Swire. A vote was called and the motion carried.

III. Minutes of September 11, 2008 Citizens' Oversight Committee Meeting

A revised version of the minutes was presented to the members at the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the revised minutes of September 11, 2008 as presented. A vote was called and the motion carried.

IV. State-Local Partnership Program Project Nominations

MCTA staff presented to the Committee the list of projects that will be submitted to the state for consideration under the State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP). Staff explained that Prop 1B programs such as the SLPP are subject to funding limitations due to uncertainties surrounding the state budget situation and the inability of the state to secure adequate bond funding.

V. Formal Annual Report to the Authority

MCTA Staff presented a draft copy of the formal annual report in newsletter form to the Committee. The overall format of the newsletter was generally approved of by the Committee and the further discussion and approval of the letter was deferred until the next meeting when the final FY 07/08 Measure T audit numbers were anticipated to be available.

VI. Measure T Program Updates

MCTA staff provided updates on the Measure T regional program Tier 1 projects. The 4th Street overcrossing project may be split to allow for faster completion of individual segments. The Gateway/SR 145 project was discussed as a possible candidate for economic stimulus funding. The SR 41 passing lanes project has a completed Project Study Report (PSR) and a signed Environmental and Design contract with Caltrans. Ave 12/SR 99 is being fast-tracked through pre-construction phases.

MCTA staff also provided an update on local program funding. The 20-year cash flow model for Measure T program bonding was distributed to the group.

Matt Bullis provided an update on the City of Madera local program. \$715,000 was spent for maintenance last summer. Overlay projects are being planned on A street downtown and on 11th St/Gateway.

Johannes Hoevertsz provided an update on County plans. \$1.6 million in paving projects are being planned for the upcoming summer. Contracts will go out in May/June.

VII. Other Items

A discussion was held on Committee member attendance. Efforts will be made to determine when absent members are available, to improve attendance.

The next meeting was tentatively set for March 5, 2009 at 6 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned.