

Measure T Citizens' Oversight Committee Executive Minutes

Date: Thursday, June 12, 2008
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
Russell Shaw, District 5
Dennis Holschlag, Member At Large
José J. Munera, District 2
Cathie Bustos, District 4

Members Absent: Cynthia Ortégón, District 3

Local Agency Staff: Matt Bullis, City of Madera Public Works
Johannes Hoevertsz, Madera County Road Department
Keith Helmuth, City of Madera
Ellen Moy, Consultant – Moy and Associates

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. Minutes of January 31, 2008 Citizens' Oversight Committee Meeting

Upon motion by Tom Swire, seconded by Cathie Bustos, to approve the January 31, 2008 Executive Minutes as written. A vote was called and the motion carried.

III. Measure T 2008/09 DRAFT Annual Work Program

Troy McNeil presented Committee members with the latest draft of the Measure T 2008/09 Annual Work Program and reviewed the document. In response to a question from Chairman Basila, he indicated that the estimated allocation of Measure T revenues will be revised at the end of the fiscal year when actual numbers are known.

Troy also answered a question from Russell Shaw indicating that “carryover” referred to funds remaining from FY 2007/08, not unspent Measure A funds.

Tom Swire asked about the progress of the County road impact fee program. Johannes Hoevertsz answered, indicating that the approval of the fee was postponed 90 days, giving County staff an opportunity to make modifications to the program based on direction from the County Board of Supervisors.

IV. Regional Program Update

Derek Winning explained the Innovative Financing plan MCTA intends to embark upon in order to fund both regional projects and a multiyear Chowchilla maintenance program.

Derek then explained the relationship between MCTC’s STIP allocation and Measure T Tier 1 projects. Projects are prioritized based on deliverability and the oversight of the MCTA Policy Board.

V. Local Program Updates

Staff from the City of Chowchilla was unable to attend, however, they did provide the Committee with a brief summary of Chowchilla’s Measure T maintenance program.

Matt Bullis provided an exhaustive summary of the City of Madera’s Measure T maintenance program including overlays, chip seals, painting and striping, wheelchair ramps, bus shelters and bike lanes/trails. He also indicated that some of the Measure T money would go to a project widening Lake Street north of Cleveland Ave.

Johannes Hoevertsz gave a report on the County of Madera’s maintenance program. Allocating money to maintenance districts for the paving of dirt roads is a priority. Contracts for chip seals will go out for bid this fall.

VI. Formal Annual Report to the Authority

Richard Poythress began a discussion on the Citizens’ Oversight Committee formal Annual Report required by the Measure T Investment Plan. Several ideas were floated including a supplemental to the AWP, glossy newsletter, press release and letter to the MCTA Policy Board. Budgetary issues may make newspapers and other

media prohibitively expensive, but web and newsletter outreach may not provide enough public exposure to the report. Staff was directed to continue work on the report.

VII. Other Items

The next meeting was tentatively set for Thursday, August 28. The meeting was adjourned.