# Measure R Citizens' Oversight Committee Tulare County Transportation Authority Monday, November 4, 2019

# 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

# Tulare County Association of Governments 210 N. Church Street, Suite B; Visalia, CA 93291

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# Agenda

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- Welcome and Introductions
- II. Public Comments

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.

- III. Action: Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- IV. Action: Approval of Minutes for May 13, 2019 and August 12, 2019
- V. Information: Upcoming Appointment Terms, Vacancies
- VI. Information: CalTrans District 6 guest speaker Jason Miao, Chief of Maintenance
- VII. Information: Distribution of Measure R Fiscal Year 19/20 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr (Pages xx-xx) Reports (to be distributed at the meeting) and discussion of FY 18/19 4<sup>th</sup> quarter reports.
- VIII. Information: Review of Measure R Revenues and Expenses and (Pages xxx-xx) Bond Update
- IX. Information: Project Updates
- X. Information: Legislative Update
- XI. Adjourn

The next scheduled Citizens' Oversight Committee meeting will be held on Monday, February 10, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. at the Tulare County Association of Governments, 210 N. Church Street, Suite B, Visalia, CA 93291.

# CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERS for TULARE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY MEASURE R

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MEMBER REPRESENTING

\*Maria McElroy City of Dinuba Robyn Stearns City of Exeter

Vacant City of Farmersville

Gary Meling City of Lindsay
Cathy Capone City of Porterville

\* Vacant City of Tulare

\*Tom Weise, Chair City of Visalia

\*Michael Navarro City of Woodlake

\* Chris Unti County of Tulare

\*Harroll Wiley Tulare County Economic Development Corp.

Joe Russel, Vice-Chair Tulare County Farm Bureau

\*Lisa Wallis-Dutra Tulare County Home Builders Association

Vacant Tulare Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Vacant Audit/Finance/Budgeting
Russ Dahler Bicycle/Pedestrian/Transit

Vacant Environment

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#### TCAG MEASURE R STAFF

Ted Smalley, Executive Director Leslie Davis, Finance Director Michele Boling, Accountant III

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<sup>\*</sup> indicates term that starts July 1 of even-numbered years

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City of Dinuba	Maria Mc Elroy	X
City of Exeter	Robyn Stearns	X
City of Farmersville	Vacant	
City of Lindsay	Gary Meling	X
County of Tulare	Chris Unti	X
Tulare County Econ. Development Corp.	Vacant	
Tulare/Kings Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	Vacant	
Bicycle/Ped/Transit	Russ Dahler	

City of Porterville	Cathy Capone	X
City of Tulare	Vacant	
City of Visalia (Chair)	Tom Weise	X
City of Woodlake	Michael Navarro	
TC Farm Bureau (Vice-Chair)	Joe Russell	
Home Builders Association of Tulare/King Counties	Lisa Wallis-Dutra	X
Audit/Finance/Budgeting	Vacant	
Environment	Vacant	

**Guests:** None

TCAG Staff: Ted Smalley, Ben Kimball, Leslie Davis and Michele Boling.

# **Summary Meeting Minutes**

#### I. Welcome and Introductions

The Citizen's Oversight Committee regular meeting was called to order by Tom Weise at 12:05 p.m. on August 12, 2019. Quorum was not present.

#### **II.** Public Comments

Chair opened the Public Comments session at 12:10 p.m.

Public comment from Cathy Capone about the Mighty 190, south county tourism committee. Opening 190 through the mountain area and any assistance we can get in that regard would be appreciated. Ted Smalley will inquire at Caltrans to have them come and speak to this issue at the next meeting.

#### III. Action: Approval of Minutes for May 13, 2019

Minutes were not approved because of lack of quorum.

# IV. Information: Upcoming Appointment Terms, Vacancies

Leslie Davis reviewed member term and current vacancies. Tom Weise's term is up 6/30/2020 and has met the 8 year criteria. City Manager will again be notified and request for members made. We did not received any applicant for the Audit/Finance/Budgeting position. The Audit/Finance/Budgeting and Environmental position will be advertised and an announcement of the vacancies will be made at the next TAC meeting, City Managers meeting and TCAG/TCTA board meeting. Anyone on the COC committee can have people they know apply for the open positions. Completed application are then sent to TCAG for compilation and presented to the COC committee for review and recommendation.

## V. Information: Distribution of Measure R Fiscal Year 18-19, 4th Quarter Reports

Leslie Davis asked if there were any questions regarding the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter project reports from the cities and county distributed last quarter. No questions were brought forward. The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter project reports were distributed for review and discuss to ensue at the next quarterly meeting. County of Tulare, Exeter and Woodlake did not submit on time they will be submitted next quarter.

### VI. Information: Review of Measure R Revenues and Expenses

Leslie Davis reviewed revenue and expense numbers for fiscal year 18-19. Total revenues for FY 18-19 are \$33,568,698.60 (unaudited). Total expenses for the same period of time is \$28,041,573.94 (unaudited). The credits listed for the City of Farmersville and the City of Visalia are refunds of expended funds after audit.

## VII. Information: Project Updates

Ted Smalley reviewed MR regional projects listed on table 1 and table 2 of the "Review of the status of Measure R Regional Projects summary" handout, from the Measure R expenditure plan approved by the voters: Pointed out built projects in phase 1. SR 65 a couple of items are not warranted. Spruce is a challenge because of costs, we will come back to this discuss in a minute. Caldwell Ave interchange has moved up as a priority and the widening segments left are Santa Fe to Lovers Lane, Lovers Lane to Farmersville and Farmersville to Exeter. Other than those just recited, all of Phase 1 is completed for the first 15 years and we are only 12 years into Measure R. Table 2 reflect Phase 2 representing years 15-30 of Measure R and you will notice that all of the grade separations are built because we used leveraging. Project readiness and leveraging are hallmark tactics used by TCAG/TCAT. Always use State and Federal money immediately to avoid loss of funds.

The \$25 million dollar 190 project is in process, Akers going to construction, Lovers Lane going to bid in the next 2 years, Farmersville Blvd partially built, fully funded should go to construction in the next year. This is just an overview and the general sense is that Measure R projects are ahead of schedule. Next 5 year projects: Porterville SR 65, SR 190 under construction, \$10 million pedestrian corridor grant from Strathmore to Porterville College. Cathy Capone wants to be involved with the latter project. Lindsay roundabout with self-help just completed. Exeter has a bike path connecting their school and we have advanced \$750 thousand to get a big project done. Rocky Hill Corridor south to Firebaugh. Spruce and 198 intersection and SR65 and SR198 working on solutions for these intersections. Farmersville phase B of the Interchange down to walnut bid next year. \$750 advance to do major road rehab in their city. Roundabout at their high school.

Tulare new interchange is going to construction 2021 applying for grants, and 99 widening (non MR) Visalia: Akers is out to bid, Lovers Lane is within 2 years a \$20 million, MR1.5, Watson in process 1 mil in MR. Many bike projects: connect Santa Fe trial to Mooney Park.

Woodlake no widening, support their safe routes to school program, heavy on federal funds, roundabout at their High school.

Dinuba roundabout at Kamm & Rd 80 when new school will be placed.

Next MR amendment could possibly be a delay to the 1 mile on 416 from Alta to Crawford to the next measure and use the \$12 million for another potential project.

County: Caldwell widening and had ribbon cutting.

\$400,000 a year for bridges. Challenge is road rehab. \$25 million more on the 190 within the city of Porterville.

Bonding: Currently interest rates on our short term lending has exceeded 3% and bonding rates are at 2.5% or lower. Bonding scenarios will be presented to our board on Monday, August

#### **VIII.** Information: Legislative Update

Ted Smalley believes that the current SB for transportation will not happen and we will not need to review the contents.

To do items: Caltrans to come to next meeting on November 4, 2019 Highway 190, mighty 190 person to come and speak

# IX. Adjourn

Tom Weise adjourned the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Next meeting is Monday, November 4,

