



**Santa Cruz County
Regional Transportation Commission
Measure D Taxpayer Oversight Committee**



**Minutes
Thursday, April 17, 2025
6:00 p.m.
Location: SCCRTC Conference Room
1101 Pacific Ave, Ste 250A, Santa Cruz, CA**

Taxpayer Oversight Committee Members

Representing	Name
Supervisory District 1	Frederick Harron
Supervisory District 2	Mark Johannessen, Chair
Supervisory District 3	Philip Hodsdon, Vice-Chair
Supervisory District 4	Jeannene Rawlsky
Supervisory District 5	Jennifer Merchant

1. Call to Order: Committee Chair Johannessen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call/Introductions

Members Present (all in person):

Frederick Harron, District 1
Mark Johannessen, District 2
Philip Hodsdon, District 3
Jeannene Rawlsky, District 4
Jennifer Marchant, District 5

RTC Staff:

Tracy New, Director of Finance and Budget
Tommy Travers, Transportation Planner

Guests:

Claire Gallogly, City of Santa Cruz
Edward Torres, City of Santa Cruz
Casey Carlson, County of Santa Cruz
Nelly Park, County of Santa Cruz
Courtney Lindberg, City of Watsonville

Murray Fontes, City of Watsonville
Joey Nolasco, City of Watsonville
Dat Nguyen, City of Scotts Valley
Stephanie Hill, City of Scotts Valley
Kendra Reed, City of Scotts Valley
Kailash Mozumder, City of Capitola
Jim Malberg, City of Capitola

3. Consider AB2449 request(s) to participate in the meeting remotely due to emergency circumstances (a physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from attending in person): None
4. Additions, deletions, or other changes to consent and regular agendas: Staff announced that a replacement of the agenda showing minor changes was posted online.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion (Rawlsky/Merchant) was made to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously with members Harron, Johannessen, Hodsdon, Rawlsky, and Merchant voting in favor.

5. Approved Minutes of the May 28, 2024 Oversight Committee Meeting

REGULAR AGENDA

6. Overview of Committee Purpose, Scope of Responsibilities, Membership and Composition and Bylaws

Tommy Travers, RTC Transportation Planner, briefly reviewed the content of the staff report.

7. Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Measure D Audits and Expenditure Reports for Direct Recipient Agencies

Representatives from the County of Santa Cruz and the cities of Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Scotts Valley, and Capitola discussed the various projects for which they used their formula shares of Measure D funds in FY23/24.

Individual Committee members posed several questions and made comments to the local representatives related to aspects of the expenditure reports and audits including carryover balances, accounting transfers, accounting adjustments, reimbursements to other jurisdictions, storm damage, and differences between a 5-Year Plan

programmed amount and spent amount. A Committee member requested clarification that all recipients are using the same definitions of "leveraged funds." Watsonville staff will provide the missing audit memo for RTC staff to post online and share with the interested Committee members. Capitola staff noted that they resumed updating their 5-Year Plan annually.

8. Oversight Committee Annual Report

Tommy Travers introduced the Committee's role of producing an annual report and stated that this will also be an item at the next meeting. Committee members discussed a desire to highlight carryover of allocated Measure D funds from previous years, as well as better highlight leveraging Measure D funds to secure outside funds.

9. Election of Officers: This item was deleted from the agenda.

10. Oral Communications: None.

11. Adjourn: Committee Chair Johannessen adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tommy Travers, Transportation Planner

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