



CITY OF MERCED

Merced Civic Center
678 W. 18th Street
Merced, CA 95340

Minutes Tax Transparency Commission

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

6:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair MICHAEL called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair MICHAEL led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Member Michael Harris, Member Anthony Aldana, Member Matthew Michael, and Member Cristina Garcia

Absent: 3 - Chair Douglas Piuser, Member Alane Quien, and Member Alison Kostecky

D. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no Public Comment.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

E.1. **SUBJECT:** Tax Transparency Commission Minutes of May 9, 2023

REPORT IN BRIEF

Tax Transparency Minutes from the meeting of May 9, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a motion approving and filing Tax Transparency Commission Minutes of May 9, 2023.

A motion was made by Member Harris, seconded by Member Aldana, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

F. REPORTS

F.1. **SUBJECT:** Fire Engine Cost

REPORT IN BRIEF

The cost of fire apparatus has been rising significantly over the past 10 years. This information only presentation is at the request of the Chair.

RECOMMENDATION

Information only.

Fire Chief PARKER gave a slideshow presentation on the cost to replace different types of Fire Department vehicles.

Commissioners and Mr. PARKER discussed the potential of obtaining a heavy rescue vehicle, the lifespan of a fire apparatus, cost of use, obtaining an additional truck for North Merced, types of fire engines, and location fire stations.

Clerk's Note: There was no formal vote, item was information only.

F.2.

SUBJECT: Cost to Replace Police Cruiser

REPORT IN BRIEF

The cost of Police Cruisers has been rising significantly and supply is limited over the past 5 Years. This information is at the request of the Chair.

RECOMMENDATION

Information only.

Police Chief Craig GUNDLACH gave a slideshow presentation of the cost to replace a police cruiser.

Commissioners and Mr. GUNDLACH discussed the supply issue for all police vehicles, details of police cruisers, exploring the idea of electric vehicles, the number of motorcycles and patrol vehicles the Merced Police Department have in current possession, and the average cost of maintenance.

Clerk's Note: There was no formal vote, item was information only.

F.3.

SUBJECT: Measure Y Revenue and Expense Reports - June 30, 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a motion accepting as information only.

Deputy Finance Officer Kuljit SINGH gave a slideshow presentation on the Measure Y revenue and expense report of June 30, 2023.

There were no Commissioner comments.

A motion was made by Member Harris, seconded by Member Aldana, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Harris, Member Aldana, Member Michael, and Member Garcia

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Chair Piuser, Member Quien, and Member Kostecky

F.4.**SUBJECT: Measure C Revenue and Expense Reports - June 30, 2023**

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a motion accepting as information only.

Deputy Finance Officer Kuljit SINGH gave a slideshow presentation on the Measure C revenue and expense report of June 30, 2023.

There were no Commissioner comments.

A motion was made by Member Harris, seconded by Member Aldana, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Harris, Member Aldana, Member Michael, and Member Garcia

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Chair Piuser, Member Quien, and Member Kostecky

F.5.**SUBJECT: Presentation on Information Regarding Measure C**

REPORT IN BRIEF

Staff will present information regarding Measure C.

RECOMMENDATION

Information only.

Deputy City Clerk Alejandra MEDINA, Deputy City Manager Frank QUINTERO, and Deputy Finance Officer Kuljit SINGH gave a brief presentation on information regarding Measure C.

Commissioners and Mr. QUINTERO spoke on the signatures for the Measure C ballot and the economic development bringing funds to the City.

Clerk's Note: There was no formal vote, item was information only.

G. BUSINESS

G.1.**SUBJECT: Request to Add Item to Future Agenda**

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides members of the Boards/Commissions to request that an item be placed on a future Boards/Commissions agenda for initial consideration by

the Boards/Commissions.

Commissioner Michael HARRIS requested an update on the Measure C ballot.

Commissioner Christina GARCIA requested updates on the repair from Highway 99.

Deputy City Manager Frank QUINTERO stated this was not covered under Measure C and spoke briefly on SB1.

G.2.

SUBJECT: Commission Comments

REPORT IN BRIEF

Provides an opportunity for the Chair and/or Member(s) to make a brief announcement on any activity(ies) she/he has attended on behalf of the Commission and to make a brief announcement on future community events and/or activities. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the legislative body under this section.

Commissioner Michael HARRIS thanked staff for attending the meeting.

Vice Chair Matthew MICHAEL thanked staff for attending the meeting.

Commissioner Christina GARCIA thanked staff for attending the meeting.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

A motion was made by Member Harris, seconded by Member Aldana, that this Regular Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Harris, Member Aldana, Member Michael, and Member Garcia

No: 0

Absent: 3 - Chair Piuser, Member Quien, and Member Kostecky