

MINUTES REVENUE MEASURE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX MEASURE (MEASURE G) MEETING

February 13, 2019 1:10 P.M.

City of Watsonville Council Chambers Main Street, 4th Floor

1. ROLL CALL

Chair Matthews-Johnson introduced newly appointed members; PJ Mecozzi, Steve Snodgrass, Bryan Fuentez, Kirt Vojvoda, Adrian Gonzalez, and Lucy Casillas.

Chair Mathews-Johnson and Members Bailey, Casillas, Danna, Fuentez, Gonzalez, Mecozzi, Snodgrass, Vargas, and Vojvoda were present. Member Mendoza was absent.

Staff members present were City Attorney Smith, City Clerk Vazquez Flores, Police Chief Honda, Fire Chief Barreto, Administrative Services Director Czerwin, Deputy City Manager Vides, Administrative Services Manager Hays, Police Fiscal Manager Maldonado, Assistant City Clerk Ortiz, Senior Financial Analyst Duran, and Administrative Analyst Meyers.

- 2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC & COMMITTEE MEMBERS (None)
- 3. CONSENT AGENDA
- 3.A. MOTION APPROVING MINUTES FOR MAY 30 AND SEPTEMBER 4, 2018, MEETINGS
- 3.B. MOTION DIRECTING & AUTHORIZING STAFF TO PUBLISH THE 4TH ANNUAL REPORT CONTAINING THE INFORMATION PRESENTED TO THE MEASURE G COMMITTEE AT ITS FEBRUARY 13, 2019, MEETING

MOTION: It was moved by Member Danna, seconded by Member Vargas, and carried by the following voice vote to approve the Consent Agenda:

AYES:MEMBERS:Bailey, Casillas, Danna, Fuentez, Gonzalez, Mecozzi,
Snodgrass, Vargas, Vojvoda, Mathews-JohnsonNOES:MEMBERS:NoneABSENT:MEMBERS:Mendoza

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA (None)

5. BUSINESS

- 5.A. ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR (PURSUANT TO SECTION 9 OF MEASURE G BY-LAWS) – Moved to end of meeting.
- 5.B. FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT MID-YEAR FY 2018-2019 Moved after Item 5.D.
- 5.C. STAFFING AND OPERATIONS REPORT FROM THE WATSONVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018

1) Staff Report

The report was given by Fire Chief Barreto.

2) Committee Members Questions

In answering Member Snodgrass, Fire Chief Barreto explained the benefits of owning a Type-3 Fire Truck.

Fire Chief Barreto, in answering Member Mecozzi, spoke about Fire Department training to address hazardous materials and fires.

In answering Member Danna, Fire Chief Barreto spoke about staffing levels at the Fire Department and planning for sunset of the tax measure.

Fire Chief Barreto, in answering Member Bailey, stated old fire engines would be replaced and then auctioned.

3) Public Input (None)

4) Committee Members Discussion (None)

5) **MOTION:** It was moved by Member Snodgrass, seconded by Member Mecozzi, and carried by the following voice vote to accept the Fire Department Staffing and Operations Report

AYES: MEMBERS: Bailey, Casillas, Danna, Fuentez, Gonzalez, Mecozzi, Snodgrass, Vargas, Vojvoda, Mathews-Johnson NOES: MEMBERS: None ABSENT: MEMBERS: Mendoza

5.D. STAFFING AND OPERATIONS REPORT FROM THE WATSONVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM JANUARY 1 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018

1) Staff Report

The report was given by Police Chief Honda.

2) Committee Members Questions

In answering Member Gonzalez, Police Chief Honda stated Police had mental health experts on staff and partnered with many organizations to provide aid to those in need.

Police Chief Honda, in answering Member Mecozzi, spoke about the success of the Contigo Program.

In answering Member Vargas, Police Chief Honda spoke about Police staffing levels and employee retention efforts.

Police Chief Honda, in answering Member Danna, spoke about challenges in addressing increased traffic violations and efforts to address causes. He added that Police were contacting homeless people to educate them on traffic laws.

3) Public Input (None)

4) Committee Members Discussion (None)

5) MOTION: It was moved by Member Mecozzi, seconded by Member Snodgrass, and carried by the following voice vote to accept the Police Department Staffing & Operations Report

AYES:MEMBERS: Bailey, Casillas, Danna, Fuentez, Gonzalez, Mecozzi,
Snodgrass, Vargas, Vojvoda, Mathews-JohnsonNOES:MEMBERS: NoneABSENT:MEMBERS: Mendoza

5.B. FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT MID-YEAR FY 2018-2019

1) Staff Report

The report was given by Administrative Services Director Czerwin.

2) Committee Members Questions

In answering Member Vargas, Administrative Services Director Czerwin stated the audit report found no wrongdoing.

Administrative Services Director Czerwin, in answering Member Snodgrass, explained Capital Fund Balances for Police and Fire Departments.

In answering Chair Mathews-Johnson, Administrative Services Director Czerwin explained the Tesla Effect and stated the City's revenue from sales tax stemming from car sales would likely not increase.

Administrative Services Director Czerwin, in answering Member Mecozzi, stated car sale tax revenue contributed to roughly 25% of all sales tax collected by the City.

3) Public Input

Deputy City Manager Vides spoke about efforts by the City to pursue renewal of Measure G.

In answering Member Gonzalez, Deputy City Manager Vides explained that costs associated with polling for renewal of Measure G would be paid by the General Fund and cost approximately \$28,000.

Deputy City Manager Vides, in answering Chair Mathews-Johnson, stated the City would have results on the polling for renewal of Measure G by early May.

4) Committee Members Discussion (None)

5) **MOTION:** It was moved by Member Bailey, seconded by Member Danna, and carried by the following voice vote to accept the Financial Status Report:

AYES:MEMBERS: Bailey, Casillas, Danna, Fuentez, Gonzalez, Mecozzi,
Snodgrass, Vargas, Vojvoda, Mathews-JohnsonNOES:MEMBERS: NoneABSENT:MEMBERS: Mendoza

5.A. ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR (PURSUANT TO SECTION 9 OF MEASURE G BY-LAWS)

1) MOTION APPOINTING CHAIR

MOTION: It was moved by Chair Mathews-Johnson, seconded by Member Snodgrass, and carried by the following voice vote to appoint Member Danna as Chair:

AYES:MEMBERS: Bailey, Casillas, Danna, Fuentez, Gonzalez, Mecozzi,
Snodgrass, Vargas, Vojvoda, Mathews-JohnsonNOES:MEMBERS: NoneABSENT:MEMBERS: Mendoza

2) MOTION APPOINTING VICE CHAIR

MOTION: It was moved by Member Mecozzi, seconded by Member Danna, and carried by the following voice vote to appoint Member Snodgrass as Vice Chair:

AYES:MEMBERS: Bailey, Casillas, Danna, Fuentez, Gonzalez, Mecozzi,
Snodgrass, Vargas, Vojvoda, Mathews-JohnsonNOES:MEMBERS: None
ABSENT:ABSENT:MEMBERS: Mendoza

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM.

FUTURE COMMITTEE'S MEETING

May 29, 2019

Robin Mathews-Johnson, Chair

ATTEST:

Beatriz Vázquez-Flores