



CITY OF EL PASO DE ROBLES
"The Pass of the Oaks"
Supplemental Sales Tax Oversight Committee
Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 5:30 PM
Council Chamber, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles

A. 5:33 PM - CALL TO ORDER

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL

Committee members present: Eric Azarvand, Jason Cox, Maria Escobedo, Jim Fotinakes, Michael Leahy, Sara Lopus, Victor Popp, Karli Twisselman. Council Liaisons: Steve Gregory, Sharon Roden
Committee members absent: Jim Cogan, Jeannette McClure

D. STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

Staff present: Catherine Piatti, Ryan Cornell, Ditas Esperanza, Melissa Boyer, Freda Berman, Terry Afana, Caleb Davis, Jonathan Stornetta, Damian Nord

E. ELECTION OF NEW VICE CHAIRPERSON

Committee member Karli Twisselman was nominated by Committee member Jim Fotinakes and accepted the nomination. No other nominations were made. Motioned by Committee member Jim Fotinakes, seconded by Committee member Maria Escobedo.

F. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS. None

G. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE DEFERRED. None

H. PRESENTATIONS. Melissa Boyer, Deputy City Clerk, gave a presentation on advisory body meeting protocols. Due to the content of the presentation, staff asked the committee to hear this item ahead of item E as it would provide context and information specific to electing a new Vice Chairperson. Committee unanimously agreed to hear the item ahead of item E.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [Approval of Minutes from August 16, 2023](#)

2. [Committee Member Resignation](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT. None

CONSENT CALENDAR ROLL CALL VOTE: Motioned by Committee member Victor Popp, seconded by Committee member Eric Azarvand and passed 7-0. Jim Fotinakes abstained from the vote.

Ayes: Eric Azarvand, Jason Cox, Maria Escobedo, Michael Leahy, Sara Lopus, Victor Popp, Karli Twisselman.

Absent: Jim Cogan, Jeannette McClure

Abstain: Jim Fotinakes

J. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. [Financial Review of Supplemental Sales Tax](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT. None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Motioned by Committee member Eric Azarvand, seconded by Committee member Maria Escobedo and passed 7-0.

Ayes: Eric Azarvand, Maria Escobedo, Jim Fotinakes, Michael Leahy, Sara Lopus, Victor Popp, Karli Twisselman.

Absent: Jim Cogan, Jeannette McClure, Jason Cox

K. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS. Committee member Jim Fotinakes stated how appreciative he was of the newly installed reflective backplates on the streetlights throughout the city.

L. STAFF COMMENTS. Ryan Cornell informed the Committee of a video that the City recently released highlighting the use of E-12 sales tax dollars for street repairs and maintenance throughout the city.

M. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATES. Council Liaison Steve Gregory commented on the Creston Road project, in response to questions raised earlier in the meeting, stating that many elements to improve school traffic safety and efficiency were considered and incorporated into the project. He also thanked staff for continuing to obtain grants to be used for road repairs in conjunction with J-20 and E-12.

N. 6:32 PM - ADJOURNMENT of the November 15, 2023 Supplemental Sales Tax Oversight Committee. Meeting adjourned to the February 21, 2024 Supplemental Sales Tax Oversight Committee Meeting. Motioned by Committee member Eric Azarvand and seconded by Committee member Michael Leahy and passed unanimously.

Submitted by:

Catherine Piatti

Catherine Piatti, Finance Manager

Approved: February 21, 2024