



Citizens Watchdog Committee Process for Oversight of Measure B Projects and Programs

Oversight of Measure B projects and programs is one of the responsibilities of the Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC). Project and program sponsors notify CWC members of all public meetings for Measure B-funded projects and programs the cities and agencies sponsor, and members “watch” or monitor these projects and programs using the following process.

CWC Responsibilities

The Citizen Watchdog Committee is charged with reviewing all expenditures on Measure B funds as required by the voter-approved 2000 Measure B Expenditure Plan. Annually, the CWC scrutinizes all Measure B expenditures and reports directly to the public on its findings.

“This committee will report directly to the public and will be charged with reviewing all expenditures of the Agency [Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC)].” The responsibilities of the committee are to:

- Hold public hearings and issue reports, on at least an annual basis, to inform Alameda County residents how the funds are being spent. The hearings are open to the public and must be held in compliance with the Brown Act, California’s open meeting law, with well-publicized information announcing the hearings posted in advance.
- Have full access to the Commission’s independent auditor and authority to request and review specific information and to comment on the auditor’s reports.
- Publish an annual report and any comments concerning the Commission’s audit in the local newspapers. In addition, copies of these documents must be made available to the public at large.

Notification and Oversight Process

The goal of any notification is for CWC members to hear project discussions, whether at a public works session, a regular city council meeting, or at any other forum where the project is presented to the community. To facilitate CWC members’ oversight of Measure B projects and programs, Alameda CTC, CWC members, and project sponsors perform the following process:

1. Annually, staff updates and provides the Projects and Programs Watch List to the CWC, so members will have an opportunity to watch projects and programs of interest to them. CWC members select the projects and programs to monitor, and staff updates the list.

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2. Alameda CTC prepares and sends a letter signed by the CWC chair to each city/agency sponsor, to request notification of all public meetings for Measure B-funded projects and programs, and requests the sponsor contact Alameda CTC staff and CWC members about these meetings. As attachments to this letter, project sponsors receive the CWC Projects and Programs Watch List and the latest CWC roster that contains contact information for each member.
3. Project sponsors notify the CWC members who watch their project(s) and program(s) at least 72 hours in advance of public meetings. Refer to Attachment A for a sample notification.
4. CWC members attend the public meetings for the projects and programs they monitor.
5. If the project sponsors do not notify CWC members of public meetings for Measure B-funded projects and programs, either CWC members or staff will notify Alameda CTC, and the Alameda CTC program manager will contact the project sponsor to request a notification of the next meeting.

Since CWC members are required to watch Measure B expenditures, it is critical that they receive timely notification of public meetings and make a good effort to stay informed about the projects and programs they have agreed to watch.

Alameda CTC Measure B Capital Projects
FY 2014-2015

CWC Member Capital Projects Monitoring Responsibilities		Appointed By	ACTA No. 1 - ACE Capital Improvements	ACTA No. 2 - BART Wam Springs Ext.	ACTA No. 3 - BART Oakland Airport Conn.	ACTA No. 4 - Downtown Streetscape Project	ACTA No. 5 - BART Fruitvale Transit Village	ACTA No. 6 - Union City Intermodal Station	ACTA No. 7 - Bus Rapid Transit - Tel. Corridor	ACTA No. 8 - I-580 Express Lane (environmental)	ACTA No. 9 - Ironhorse Trail, Dublin Design/ROW	ACTA No. 10 - I-880/Broadway-Jackson I/C	ACTA No. 11 - I-880/Washington Avenue I/C	ACTA No. 12 - I-580 Castro Valley I/C	ACTA No. 13 - Lewelling E. Levee Widening	ACTA No. 14 - I-580 Auxiliary Lanes, Dublin, Livermore, Construction	ACTA No. 15 - Rte 92/Cleaver Whitesell I/C	ACTA No. 16 - Oakland Local Streets	ACTA No. 17B - Hesperian/Lewelling Widening	ACTA No. 18 - Westgate Parkway Extension	ACTA No. 19 - E. 14th/Hesperian/150th	ACTA No. 20 - Newark Local Streets	ACTA No. 21 - I-238 Widening	ACTA No. 22 - I-680/880 Cross Conn. Study	ACTA No. 23 - I-680/880 Cross Conn. Study	ACTA No. 24 - Route 84 Expressway (Design/ROW)	ACTA No. 25.1 - Dumbarton Corridor (Central Avenue Overpass), PE/Env	ACTA No. 26 - I-580/BART Dublin, Pleasanton, Livermore, Env/ Right of Way	ACTA No. 27A - Vasco Road, Complete	ACTA No. 27B - I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility, Construction	ACTA No. 27C - I-880 Corridor Improvements	ACTA No. 27D - 2000 TEP Construction	ACTA No. 27E - Project Studies for Congested Segments and Locations on the CMP Network	Planning						
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Hamlat, Sandra	Bike East Bay																																							
Hastings, Herb	Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee		X																																					
Hawley, Miriam	League of Women Voters																																							
Jones, Steven	Alameda County Mayors' Conference, D-1																																							
Lester, Brian	Supervisor Scott Haggerty, D-1																																							
Lew, Jo Ann	Alameda County Mayors' Conference, D-2																																							
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The projects marked with an "X" above are those I am interested in monitoring.

Signature

Alameda CTC Measure B Programs FY 2014-2015

CWC Member Program Monitoring Responsibilities		Appointed By	Alameda (BP, LSR, P)	Albany (BP, LSR, P)	Berkeley (BP, LSR, P)	Dublin (BP, LSR)	Emeryville (BP, LSR, P)	Fremont (BP, LSR, P)	Hayward (BP, LSR, P)	Livemore (BP, LSR, P)	Newark (BP, LSR)	Oakland (BP, LSR, P)	Piedmont (BP, LSR, P)	Pleasanton (BP, LSR, P)	San Leandro (BP, LSR, P)	Union City (BP, LSR, M, P)	Ala. County North (LSR)	Ala. County Central (LSR)	Ala. County East (LSR)	Ala. County Bridges (LSR)	Countywide Bike Ped Program	Paratransit	Paratransit Program	Paratransit - BART (P)	Paratransit - AC Transit (P)	AC Transit - AC Transit (M)	AC Transit - Welfare to Work (M)	WETA (Ferry Services) (M)	Alamont Corridor Express (M)	Union City Transit Express (M)	LAVTA Transit Operations (M, P)	Countywide Express Bus	Transit-oriented Development				
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BP = Bicycle and Pedestrian
 LSR = Local Streets and Roads
 M = Mass Transit
 P = Paratransit (special transportation for seniors and people with disabilities)

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