



Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency
Email: info@tamcmonterey.org

Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

****2:00 PM****

MEETING LOCATION

1441 Schilling Place, Salinas, California
Cayenne Conference Room

Wi-Fi Network: MontereyCty-Guest (no password required)

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1. QUORUM CHECK - CALL TO ORDER

Call to order and self-introductions. If you are unable to attend, please contact Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant. Your courtesy to the other members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Committee. Under this item, each member of the public is allowed two minutes to address concerns. Comments in items on this agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed. Persons who wish to address the Committee for public comment or on an item on the agenda are encouraged to submit comments in writing to Maria at maria@tamcmonterey.org by 5:00 pm the Monday before the meeting, and such comments will be distributed to the Board before the meeting.

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3. CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

3.1. **APPROVE** the Draft Minutes of the October 7, 2025, Meeting.

- Maria Montiel

The Draft October 7, 2025 Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Minutes.

3.2. **RECEIVE** update on changes to Brown Act as per Senate Bill (SB) 707 and **VOTE** to enable the Committee to use the provisions for Eligible Subsidiary Bodies.

- Christina Watson

Senate Bill (SB) 707, signed into law on October 3, 2025, makes significant

changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act, which governs open meetings for local government agencies in California.

4. **RECEIVE** update on the Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit project in the Monterey Branch Line corridor.

- Theresa Wright, Lisa Rheinheimer

The SURF! project will construct a busway and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line within the Monterey Branch Line right-of-way, parallel to State Route 1, making it faster and easier to travel between Marina and Seaside, facilitating travel throughout the County, including from the Salinas Valley and northern Monterey County all the way to downtown Monterey. MST Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Lisa Rheinheimer, will present a project update reviewing the current schedule, project costs, funding opportunities, and public outreach efforts.

5. **RECEIVE** presentation on the Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project.

- Theresa Wright, Dana Van Horn

Dana Van Horn, Senior Construction Manager for Harris & Associates, will provide an update on the Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project.

6. **Senior & Disabled Transportation Cycle 4 Awards**

1. **RECEIVE** presentation; and
2. **RECOMMEND** that the Board award Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Cycle 4 funds as follows:
 1. \$1,116,300 to Independent Transportation Network (ITN) Monterey County,
 2. \$526,328 to Alliance on Aging,
 3. \$50,244 to City of Greenfield
 4. \$67,128 to Veterans Transition Center
 5. \$100,000 to Blind & Visually Impaired Center

- Aaron Hernandez

The Transportation Agency received ten applications for the Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Cycle 4 funding for fiscal years 2026-2029 with a total request of \$5,758,119. The Transportation Agency has \$1.86 million available for Cycle 4. The grant review committee reviewed all ten complete applications and conducted site visits with seven applicants.

7. **RECEIVE** presentation on the Measure X Seventh Year Audit (fiscal year 2024/25) results and the Measure X Annual Report.

- Theresa Wright, Kevin Dayton

The audit subcommittee of the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee conducted the seventh year audit of the revenues and expenditure of Measure X funds, prepared the

Committee's annual report, and will present their findings to the Measure X Oversight Committee and to the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS

9. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Transportation Oversight Committee meeting:

Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at 2:00 P.M.

PHYSICAL LOCATION -

County Building at 1441 Schilling Place, Salinas CA, in the Cayenne Conference Room

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:
Theresa Wright, Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Coordinator

theresa@tamcmonterey.org

Important Meeting Information

Agenda Packet and Documents: Any person who has a question concerning an item on this agenda may call or email the Agency office to make inquiry concerning the nature of the item described on the agenda. Complete agenda packets are on display online at the Transportation Agency for Monterey County website. Documents relating to an item on the open session that are distributed to the Committee less than 72 hours prior to the meeting shall be available for public review at the Agency website. Agency contact information is as follows:

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Agenda Items: The agenda will be prepared by Agency staff and will close at noon five (5) working days before the regular meeting. Any member of the Board may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any support papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

Memorandum

To: Citizens Oversight Committee
From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant
Meeting Date: April 21, 2026
Subject: Draft XTOC Minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVE the Draft Minutes of the October 7, 2025, Meeting.

SUMMARY:

The Draft October 7, 2025 Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Minutes.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:**DISCUSSION:****ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Draft X-TOC Minutes - October 2025

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee (X-TOC)

Meeting held at the Monterey County Government Center at Schilling Place

Saffron Conference Room, 1441 Schilling Place, Salinas

Draft minutes of October 7, 2025

Voting Members	OCT 23	FEB 24	APR 24	AUG 24	NOV 24	FEB 25	APR 25	AUG 25	OCT 25
Kevin Dayton, Chair Salinas Valley Taxpayers Association <i>(Rick Giffin)</i>	P -	P -	P -	P -	P A	P -	P A	P A	P A
Maria Vera Transit Users <i>(Andrea Manzo)</i>	A -	A -	A -	A -	P A	P A	P A	A A	P A
Janet Brennan League of Women Voters <i>(Howard Fosler)</i>	P P(A) (VC)	A P(A)	A P(A)	A P(A)	E P(A)	P A	P A	P A	P A
Tom Rowley Monterey Peninsula Taxpayers Association <i>(Rick Heuer)</i>	P -	P(VC) P(A) (VC)	P -	P -	P E	P A	P A	P A	P A
Mike Donohue Senior or disabled services agency <i>(Brielle Bumba)</i>	A -	A P(A)	A P(A)	A P(A)	P A	P A	P A	P P(A)	P A
Victoria Beach Bicycling Advocate <i>(vacant)</i>	A -	P -	P	P(VC)	P(VC)	P	A	A	P
Tony Garcia Labor Organization <i>(vacant)</i>	A -	A -	P	P P	A -	P -	A	A	A
Christie Cromeenes Central Coast Builders Association <i>(vacant)</i>	P -	P -	P	A	E	P	E	P	P
Greg Hamer Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce <i>(Fred Hooker)</i>	P -	P -	A	P -	P	P	P	P P	P A
Monica Lal Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce <i>(Bradley Leavang)</i>	A P(A) (VC)	A -	A	A	P P(A)	P	P A	A P(A)	P A

Dale Agron Habitat Preservation <i>(Rachel Saunders, Big Sur Land Trust)</i>	P -	P -	P -	P -	A -	E -	E A	A A	A A
Martine Watkins Hospitality <i>(Gary Cursio)</i>	V -	A -	P -	P -	A P(A)	P A	P A	P A	P A
Norm Groot, Past Chair Agriculture <i>(Paul Arnaudo)</i>	P P(A) (VC)	A P(A) (VC)	P P(A)	P P(A)	P P	P E	P P(A)	P P(A)	P P(A)
John McPherson Education <i>(Ralph Porras)</i>	P -	A P(A)	A P(A)	P -	P -	P A	E A	P A	P A
Paula Getzelman South County <i>(Carol Kenyon)</i>	P P(A) (VC)	P -	A P(A)	E P(A) (VC)	P P(A) (VC)	P A	P(VC) A	P A	A P
Chris Barrera Latino Organization <i>(Diana Jimenez)</i>	P -	A -	P -	P P(A)	E P(A)	P E	P A	P A	P A
Rosemarie Barnard North County <i>Robert Rodoni</i>	P P(A)	P P(A)	P(VC) P(A)	P P(A)	E P(A)	P P(A)	P P(A)	A P(A)	- A
Robin Lee Pedestrian <i>(Laurie Eavey)</i>	P -	P -	A P(A)	A -	P -	P -	P A	A A	P A
Angelo Raya Medrano Youth/College <i>(vacant)</i>	V -	P -	P	E	A	A	A	P	P
Sean Hebard, Vice Chair Construction <i>(Martin Canning)</i>	P P(A)	P P(A)	A P(A)	A P(A) (VC)	A P(A)	A P(A)	E P(A)	P P(A)	A P(A)
TRANSPORTATION AGENCY STAFF	OCT 23	FEB 24	APR 24	AUG 24	NOV 24	FEB 25	APR 25	AUG 25	OCT 25
Todd Muck, Executive Director	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mike Zeller, Director of Programming & Project Delivery	P	P	P	P(VC)	P	P(VC)	P	P(VC)	P
Jeff Kise, Director of Finance & Admin	P(VC)	P(VC)	P(VC)	P(VC)	E	E	A	A	P(VC)
Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer	P	A		-	E	E	A	A	E

Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	E
Doug Bilse, Principal Engineer	A	P(VC)	A	P	E	P	P	P	E
Alissa Guther, Transp. Planner	A	A	A	-	E	E	A	A	E
Aaron Hernandez, Transp. Planner	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Janneke Strause, Asso. Transp. Planner	A	E	E	P	P	P	P	P	P
P = present P(A)= present (alternate) (VC)= Zoom Video Conference E = excused absence A = unnoticed absence - = alternate absent V = vacant position									
OTHERS PRESENT									
Elouise Rodriguez	TAMC staff								

1. QUORUM CHECK – CALL TO ORDER

Kevin Dayton, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Elouise Rodriguez, Senior Administrative Assistant, called the roll and confirmed a quorum was established.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

M/S/C Groot/McPherson
 Abstained: Robin Lee

3.1 Approved the draft minutes of August 12, 2025, meeting.

3.2 Received the 2026 Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Schedule.

END CONSENT AGENDA

4. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR

The Committee unanimously appointed Committee member Christie Cromeenes, Vice Chair of the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee, to serve the remainder of the 2025-2026 two-year term that expires on December 31, 2026.

5. ELECTION OF AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE

The Committee unanimously appointed Committee members Norm Groot, Monica Lal and Robin Lee to serve on the audit sub-committee with the Committee Chair Kevin Dayton and Vice Chair Christie Cromeenes to conduct the independent audit for fiscal year 2025/2026 and to prepare the annual audit report.

The Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee is responsible for conducting an independent audit to assure that Measure X funds are expended in accordance with the requirements of the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan and to prepare an annual audit report.

6. MEASURE X SENIOR & DISABLED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

M/S/C Cromeenes/McPherson/unanimous

Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner, provided an update on the Senior & Disabled Transportation Program and presented the draft Cycle 4 guidelines at the August 19, 2025, Oversight Committee. The Transportation Agency accepts grant applications from non-profit organizations to fund activities that increase transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities. Funding is awarded every 3 years to eligible and successful applicants.

During today's presentation, Mr. Hernandez reported that on September 24, 2025, the draft guidelines were presented to the Monterey-Salinas Transit Mobility Advisory Committee (MAC) and a comment was received from the MAC to provide clearer submission instructions on the program guidelines. An updated set of submission instructions are now included under the "Required Documents and Submission Instructions" section".

As part of a requirement of the execution of Cycle 4, a grant review committee must be formed to review and score the applications for Cycle 4. The review committee must consist of Transportation Agency staff, a member from the Monterey-Salinas Transit MAC, and a member from the Oversight Committee. The committee will meet to score Cycle 4 applications and will conduct site visits to the most competitive applicants.

Chair Dayton noted that serving on the grant review committee is a great learning experience for members of the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee.

After discussion, the Committee appointed members Chris Barrera and Maria Vera to serve on the Senior & Disabled Transportation Grant Review Committee; and recommend to the TAMC Board of Directors to approve Program Guidelines.

7. BROWN ACT PUBLIC MEETING TRAINING

The Committee received training on the Brown Act, which sets the rules for noticing and conducting public meetings.

Shane Strong, Agency Counsel, reported The Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code 54950-54963), referred to as the "Brown Act," is intended to provide public access to meetings of California local government agencies. In order to achieve this objective, government bodies subject to the requirements of the Brown Act must provide public notice of their meetings, post agendas of the subjects to be discussed at those meetings and provide public access to those meetings. Public notice of every meeting subject to the Brown Act is required, and access is mandatory unless the meeting is held in closed session under a specific exception contained in the Act.

Mr. Strong noted that there are misdemeanor penalties for violating the Brown Act set by the District Attorney and Attorney General. He advised against communicating with committee members on social media to include digital, emails and texts that may be identified as a Brown Act violation.

In conclusion, Counsel Strong noted that he will send a copy of the updated Brown Act laws that will take effect on January 1, 2026, to Theresa Wright to forward to the Committee.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS

Tom Rowley announced that he received an electronic copy of the State Route 68 Final Environmental Impact Report and expressed frustration in Caltrans' response to his comments and difficulty with obtaining a physical copy of the report.

Norm Groot asked for an update from the City of Salinas on the Amazon development. Director Zeller said he would look into bringing an update that's within the Committee's purview on this issue as it relates to the US 101 South of Salinas Corridor project.

Chris Barrera announced the LULAC Black & White Ball Scholarship Fundraiser on October 18, 2025.

Maria Vera announced that Ciclovía Salinas will occur on October 12, 2025.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Dayton adjourned the meeting at 3:23 p.m.

Memorandum

To: Citizens Oversight Committee
From: Christina Watson, Director of Planning
Meeting Date: April 21, 2026
Subject: **Brown Act Update**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE update on changes to Brown Act as per Senate Bill (SB) 707 and **VOTE** to enable the Committee to use the provisions for Eligible Subsidiary Bodies.

SUMMARY:

Senate Bill (SB) 707, signed into law on October 3, 2025, makes significant changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act, which governs open meetings for local government agencies in California.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No financial impact.

DISCUSSION:

Attached is a memo describing the impacts of the Brown Act revisions in SB 707 on TAMC and its Committees. Please note that this memo is specific to TAMC, and if you sit on another body, you should refer to your legal counsel.

Key new provisions include:

- One aspect of the law took immediate effect, and TAMC is now providing a link to the Brown Act on all agendas.
- New video and teleconferencing provisions took effect on January 1, 2026, changing how the agendas and minutes for the TAMC Board and its Committees are prepared, and expanding the options for Board and Committee members to use videoconferencing.
- The Board must adopt a resolution to enable the Board and its Committees to use these provisions.

The TAMC Board of Directors approved a resolution authorizing Eligible Subsidiary Bodies to use the new provisions at their February 2026 meeting. Upon approval by the Board, the Committee must then proactively vote to enact the provisions of the revised Brown Act to enable the Committee to utilize certain teleconferencing provisions. Other provisions, such as the ADA accommodations, are in effect regardless of whether the Committee takes action. The Committee can also choose not to take action, thus reverting to the usual way of doing business and posting the locations of all remotely participating Committee members on the agenda and keeping those locations open to the public.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. SB 707 Memo

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

Brown Act Update

How SB 707 Impacts the Transportation Agency for Monterey County

Senate Bill (SB) 707, signed into law on October 3, 2025, makes significant changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act, which governs open meetings for local government agencies in California. SB 707 can generally be broken down into three parts:

1. The “Eligible Legislative Body” requirements, which do not apply to TAMC.
2. The new teleconferencing rules under Section 54953.8 (there are now nine teleconferencing options, but not all apply to TAMC).
3. The remaining changes to the Brown Act.

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Teleconferencing Rules under Section 54953.8

As amended by SB 707, the Brown Act has new sections relating to teleconferencing, Government Code sections 54953.8.1 through 54953.8.7. All these requirements are effective January 1, 2026. Below is a section-by-section description of the key changes:

Section 54953.8.2 – State of Emergency (AB 361)

The teleconferencing requirements under this Section reflect COVID-19 pandemic era Assembly Bill (AB) 361, except with one new twist, that local agencies may now declare local emergencies. State-of-Emergency teleconferencing requires a body to find that an emergency exists that creates a risk or danger if meeting in person. This finding must be revisited at least every 45 days.

Section 54953.8.3 – Just Cause (AB 2449)

SB 707 maintains the “Just Cause” reason for using teleconferencing to attend meetings as established under AB 2449. (SB 707 omitted the very similar “Emergency Circumstances” teleconferencing rules.) The rules for “Just Cause” require:

- A) A quorum of the body must attend from one physical location.

- B) The Member requesting the “Just Cause” exemption must report the general need for teleconferencing by the start of the meeting, citing one of seven definitions of Just Cause:
- 1) Childcare or caregiving need of a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner that requires them to participate remotely.
 - 2) A contagious illness that prevents a member from attending in person.
 - 3) A need related to a physical or mental condition.
 - 4) Travel while on official business of the legislative body or another state or local agency.
 - 5) An immune-compromised child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner of the member that requires the member to participate remotely.
 - 6) A physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from attending in person.
 - 7) Military service obligations that result in a member being unable to attend in person because they are serving under official written orders for active duty, drill, annual training, or any other duty required as a member of the California National Guard or a United States Military Reserve organization that requires the member to be at least 50 miles outside the boundaries of the local agency.
- C) The Member must use both audio and visual technology during the meeting.
- D) Limited uses per calendar year – for TAMC, Members are limited to using this clause no more than twice per year.
- E) TAMC must note the usage of Just Cause in the meeting minutes, citing which definition of Just Cause the Member claimed. For example, the minutes could cite “JC4”.

Section 54953.8.6 – Eligible Subsidiary Bodies

Eligible Subsidiary Body (“ESB”) teleconferencing is the headliner of SB 707. Generally, the ESB has been billed as a way for committees to meet remotely, but the application of this option is more complex than what may have been initially assessed. This section expires on January 1, 2030.

An ESB is defined as a Brown Act Legislative Body which serves exclusively in an advisory capacity, lacks authority to take final action, and lacks primary subject matter jurisdiction on elections, budgets, police oversight, privacy, public library material access, or taxes or related spending proposals. Legal counsel has determined that all of TAMC’s Committees, the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), the Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities Advisory Committee (BPC), the Executive Committee, the Rail Policy Committee (RPC), and the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee, known as the eXcellent Transportation Oversight Committee (XTOC), qualify as ESBs.

ESB teleconferencing entails a two-entity approval process. First, the Parent Legislative Body (i.e., the TAMC Board of Directors) must approve the ESB using teleconferencing every six months. Second, after the Parent Legislative Body approves the use, but before the ESB can use teleconferencing, the ESB must approve teleconferencing. TAMC staff will prepare agenda items for all relevant meetings to that effect.

The requirements are generally:

- The Committee must designate one physical location where the public can attend, and
- Teleconferencing Members should appear using audio and visual technology during the meeting. If the Committee Member turns off their camera, they must announce the reason (e.g., internet connectivity issues).

There are two additional elements of this section of import. First, elected officials who sit on a Committee by virtue of their elected office cannot teleconference under this Code section (unless they can claim “Just Cause”). Second, a Committee may request to present recommendations to the Board, which then must appear on the regular agenda of the next Board meeting for discussion, with action on the issue on the following Board meeting agenda.

Section 54953.8.7 – Multijurisdictional Body

A “Multijurisdictional Body” is defined as either a legislative body which includes representatives from more than one county, city, city/county, or special district, or a legislative body formed as a Joint Powers Entity. This definition applies to the TAMC Board and the Coast Rail Coordinating Council, among others. The rules for “Multijurisdictional Body” require:

- The body must adopt a resolution in open session to allow teleconferencing.
- At least a quorum of the members of the eligible multijurisdictional body shall participate from one or more locations within the jurisdiction open to the public.
- Compensated Members cannot use teleconference (“compensation” excludes reimbursement of expenses).
- Teleconferencing Members must be named in agenda.
- Teleconferencing Members must use audio and visual technology.
- Teleconferencing location is more than 20 miles away from in-person locations.
- Limited to using twice per year if the body meets once per month or less.

Section 54953.8 – General Requirements

For each of the above teleconference rules, the legislative body must comply with the following rules:

- Use two-way video or teleconference technology.
- Place the link on the agenda.
- No action if there is an internet disruption.
- Allow public comment.
- Allow the public time to unmute themselves and raise hands during public comment.
- In the minutes, include the name of any teleconferencing Member and the code section they used to appear remotely.
- Implement a procedure for receiving and resolving reasonable accommodation requests and adhere to civil rights and non-discrimination laws.
- Announce anyone over 18 and relationship at remote location.

Other Brown Act Changes

Below is a quick summary of some other Brown Act changes, though three items deserve some additional comments. First, the Traditional Brown Act Teleconferencing Rules are unchanged. Second, there is a new teleconferencing statute for use with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and this statute allows teleconferencing as a reasonable accommodation – the only requirements are that the member use audio and visual technology if possible (very loose requirement) and that the teleconferencing member report if anyone over the age of 18 is appearing at the location and their relationship. Finally, there is a complex statute which allows a Brown Act body not to take public comment, but use of this statute is not advisable. Below are other changes to the Brown Act:

- TAMC is required to give members a copy of Brown Act.
- Social Media is only considered a meeting if members interact with each other.
- Emergency situations notice requirements include an email option.
- Special meetings notice and waivers include a telephone option.
- Reporting out for department head closed sessions.
- No special meetings for salary extended to legislative body.
- “Zoom-bombing” called out as disruptive.

Memorandum

To: Citizens Oversight Committee
From: Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator, Lisa Rheinheimer
Meeting Date: April 21, 2026
Subject: **SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit Project Update**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE update on the Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit project in the Monterey Branch Line corridor.

SUMMARY:

The SURF! project will construct a busway and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line within the Monterey Branch Line right-of-way, parallel to State Route 1, making it faster and easier to travel between Marina and Seaside, facilitating travel throughout the County, including from the Salinas Valley and northern Monterey County all the way to downtown Monterey. MST Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Lisa Rheinheimer, will present a project update reviewing the current schedule, project costs, funding opportunities, and public outreach efforts.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

MST and TAMC were successful in leveraging Measure X funds to secure a \$25 million grant through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP). State Senator John Laird secured \$2.5 million in the state budget. MST secured \$22.1 million in Federal Transit Administration Capital Investment Grant funds.

DISCUSSION:

The SURF! Busway and BRT project is part of MST's larger efforts in connecting communities, creating opportunity, and being kind to the planet. MST is building a modern transit network to enhance connections on the Monterey Peninsula and beyond. When complete, the SURF! line will serve as a vital transit link for the Monterey Peninsula and Salinas Valley. The SURF! line will connect to many existing transit lines, including the JAZZ bus rapid transit line that serves Seaside, Line 20 Salinas-Monterey, and other routes that serve the Veteran's Administration Clinic and California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB). A link to the MST project site is provided via **web attachment**.

The SURF! project will make it faster and easier to travel from the Salinas Valley and northern Monterey County all the way to downtown Monterey via future rapid transit along US 101. Whether riding to get to work, school, medical appointments, shop for groceries, or simply to visit a friend, the SURF! line will connect Monterey Peninsula's diverse communities.

The SURF! project includes the following components:

- A six-mile, bus-only route parallel to Highway 1, from Marina to Sand City and Seaside in the

TAMC-owned Monterey Branch Line corridor.

- Bicycle and pedestrian path improvements along Del Monte Road and Beach Range Road.
- A new mobility hub near 5th Street in Marina, east of Highway 1, which will include bus bays, drop-off areas, public parking, and other first- and last-mile amenities.
- New transit stops at Del Monte Boulevard and Palm Avenue in Marina and California Avenue and Playa Avenue in Sand City.
- Intersection improvements at Playa and California in Sand City for better traffic flow on city streets.

The current cost estimate for the SURF! project is \$105 million, which includes all phases of work. TAMC has allocated \$27.4 million in project support through Monterey County's Transportation Safety & Investment Plan (Measure X) funds approved by a supermajority of voters in 2016. Leveraging that investment, TAMC and MST were successful in securing a \$25 million grant through the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP). State Senator John Laird secured \$2.5M in the state's budget. MST secured \$22.1 million in federal Capital Investment Grant funds through the Federal Transit Administration. MST is using its share of Senate Bill (SB) 125 funds totaling \$26 million for the project.

The design process for the project was completed in September 2025 and construction began in October 2025. Community outreach is an important aspect of this project and the transit agency continues its public outreach efforts. MST will provide an update at the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit Project](#)

Memorandum

To: Citizens Oversight Committee
From: Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator, Dana Van Horn
Meeting Date: April 21, 2026
Subject: **City of Marina Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project Presentation**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE presentation on the Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project.

SUMMARY:

Dana Van Horn, Senior Construction Manager for Harris & Associates, will provide an update on the Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project is sponsored by the City of Marina and the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) with funding provided from voter-approved Measure X, and Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Local Partnership Program competitive grant funding. The construction funding of \$40.5 million includes \$2 million in local development impact fees, \$18.25 million in Measure X funds, and \$20.25 million in SB1 Local Partnership Program funds.

DISCUSSION:

The Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project, included in the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan approved by Monterey County voters as Measure X in 2016, is the Plan's second regional project to be constructed.

The project widened 1.7 miles of Imjin Parkway from Imjin Road to Reservation Road from two lanes to four lanes, constructed four modern roundabouts along the corridor, and added transit and pedestrian improvements, including the installation of buffered Class II bike lanes and a multi-use path, along with upgraded lighting, drainage, stormwater treatment areas, retaining walls, a sound wall, and landscaping.

The improvements benefit commuters who travel through the corridor, as well as those who live along the corridor at CSU Monterey Bay and the neighboring homes in Marina Heights, Sea Haven, and Preston Park.

The Imjin Parkway Widening & Roundabout Corridor Project is in its final stage and progressing on schedule towards the June 2026 completion date. All lanes and roundabouts on Imjin Parkway are now open. Materials for the roundabout artwork are scheduled to be delivered to a local fabricator in April, with the anticipation for the artwork installation for the roundabouts to occur in May 2026.

The City of Marina is planning to celebrate the completion of the Imjin Parkway Widening &

Roundabout Corridor Project with a ribbon-cutting ceremony this summer. More information about the project is available on the project website (**web attachment**).

ATTACHMENTS:

None

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

- [Imjin Parkway project website](#)

Memorandum

To: Citizens Oversight Committee
From: Aaron Hernandez, Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: April 21, 2026
Subject: Senior & Disabled Transportation Cycle 4 Award Recommendations

RECOMMENDED ACTION:**Senior & Disabled Transportation Cycle 4 Awards**

1. **RECEIVE** presentation; and
2. **RECOMMEND** that the Board award Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Cycle 4 funds as follows:
 1. \$1,116,300 to Independent Transportation Network (ITN) Monterey County,
 2. \$526,328 to Alliance on Aging,
 3. \$50,244 to City of Greenfield
 4. \$67,128 to Veterans Transition Center
 5. \$100,000 to Blind & Visually Impaired Center

SUMMARY:

The Transportation Agency received ten applications for the Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Cycle 4 funding for fiscal years 2026-2029 with a total request of \$5,758,119. The Transportation Agency has \$1.86 million available for Cycle 4. The grant review committee reviewed all ten complete applications and conducted site visits with seven applicants.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

At their September 24, 2025 meeting, the Transportation Agency Board of Directors adopted the Program Guidelines for the use of \$1.86 million in Measure X funds for Cycle 4, covering fiscal years 2026/27, 2027/28, and 2028/29. In Cycle 3, fiscal years 2023-2026, approximately \$283,772.80 remains unbilled for the remaining two quarters of fiscal year 2025/26. Grantees have until June 30, 2026, to expend the funds, and until July 31, 2026, to submit the final claim documentation. This action recommends the award of \$1.86 million to five Cycle 4 grantees.

DISCUSSION:

The Policies & Project Descriptions for the Measure X Transportation Safety & Investment Plan describes the Senior & Disabled Transportation Program:

1. The purpose of this program is to increase transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities to support their ability to live independently in their homes and communities.
2. This program will fund non-profit transportation to support seniors and persons with disabilities.
3. This program provides the following benefits:
 - o Give seniors more transportation options;

- Support independent travel by people with disabilities; and
- Provide safer and more reliable senior transportation services.

The intent of this program is to fund projects, programs and operations that meet these goals.

The Transportation Agency received ten grant applications for Cycle 4. Staff determined that all ten applications were complete and in compliance with the Program Guideline requirements.

A grant review committee, composed of a member each from the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee, the Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) Mobility Advisory Committee, and Transportation Agency staff, conducted an initial review of application materials and met to draft a list of follow-up questions for onsite field visits to the most competitive applicants. The committee visited seven applicants in January 2026, while the remaining three applications did not score high enough for site visits.

After the interviews were conducted, the grant review committee ranked the applications using the scoring criteria noted below. The Cycle 4 Program Guidelines (**web attachment**) provide a detailed breakdown of the application questions and corresponding scoring criteria.

Final Rankings

1. ITN Monterey County
2. Alliance on Aging
3. City of Greenfield
4. Veterans Transition Center
5. Blind & Visually Impaired Center
6. Partnership for Children
7. Josephine Kernes Memorial Pool
8. Art Abilities
9. Hope Services
10. Community Bridges

Scoring Criteria

1. Program Purpose & goals
2. Program Benefits
3. Feasibility
4. Geographic Equity
5. Cost Effectiveness

The total request of \$5,758,119 came in \$3,898,119 above the \$1.86 million Measure X funds available for Cycle 4. A summary of the proposals and final ranking is **attached** to this report. In an effort to fund proposals that would result in the most impact, the grant review committee identified an adjusted award amount that is slightly reduced from the original application amount for the top applications. The grant committee confirmed with the top applicants that their project proposal would not significantly change should they be awarded funding.

To date, approximately \$283,772.80 has not been claimed from Cycle 3 funds. A summary of the remaining Cycle 3 funds is **attached** to this report. Current grantees have until June 30, 2026, to

expend the funds, with the final claim documentation due by July 31, 2026. Funds that are not spent by the end of Cycle 3 will be carried forward and made available in future cycles.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Cycle 4 Fund Summary and Ranking
2. Cycle 3 Funds Remaining

WEB ATTACHMENTS:

[Cycle 4 Program Guidelines](#)



Measure X Senior & Disabled Transportation Program

Grant Request and Rankings for Cycle 4 (Fiscal Years 2026/27, 2027/28, and 2028/29)

Applicant	Project Title	Project Summary	Rank	Total Project Cost	Total Grant Request	Total Grant Award
ITN Monterey County	Driving Connections: Enhancing Dignified Mobility for Seniors and Visually Impaired Adults Across Monterey County with a Focus on Underserved, Rural Communities	Provide 24 hours/7 days-a-week, arm-through-arm, door-through-door transportation to help seniors and visually impaired adults to remain independent and active in Monterey County. Continue expansion of NorthLine and Valley programs.	1	\$2,523,150	\$1,191,300	\$1,116,300
Alliance on Aging	Senior Transportation Coordination	Provide transportation outreach and training to senior service providers and senior residents. Ensure growth of ITN Valley Line and North Line, assist seniors navigate MST's Better Bus Network, coordinate senior bus/field trips with MST, enroll senior & disabled individuals to specialized transportation services.	2	\$580,017	\$536,631	\$526,328
City of Greenfield	Senior and Disabled Transportation Voucher Program	Implement a city administered voucher program for Greenfield senior for affordable access to ITNMontereyCounty door-to-door transportation services	3	\$55,473	\$50,244	\$50,244
Veterans Transition Center	RIDES - Reliable Independent Delivery and Essential Support	Provide transportation to senior and disabled veterans that reside at VTC residence with the purchase of a rear entry SUV.	4	\$225,538	\$112,888	\$67,128
Blind & Visually Impaired Center	Travel Skills Training for Visually Impaired Individuals and Seniors with Vision Loss	Provide Orientation & Mobility training to seniors and individuals with vision loss. Fund two O&M specialists that provide individualized, small group, and in-home travel training.	5	\$297,000	\$200,000	\$100,000
Partnership for Children	Transportation to Medical Care Services for Children Living with Serious Illness	Two-tiered transportation to medical care for children living with serious illness. First tier – direct rides to medical care for families are unable to make independent travel. Second tier – gas card subsidy program for families unable to afford costs of independent travel.	6	\$1,113,021	\$491,194	No Award

Kernes Memorial Pool	Transportation subsidies for Senior and People with Disabilities to Receive Therpeutic Aquatic Services at the Josephine Kernes Memorial Pool	Transportation subsidy program to provide accessible transportation to attend therapeutic aquatic appointments at Kernes Pool.	7	\$239,310	\$163,455	No Award
Art Abilities	Transoprtation for Individuals with Disabilities to Access Art Abilities Program	Purchase a passenger van to provide disability-informed transportation for individuals including seniors with intellectual and developmental disabilities participating in Art Abilities program services.	8	\$406,800	\$361,800	No Award
Hope Services	Vehicles for Transportation People with Developmental Disabilities in Monterey County	Provide transportation at no cost for all participants in Hope Services with developmental disabilities. Replace all 17 fleet vehicles throughout the next 3 to 4 years.	9	\$843,200.80	\$790,607	No Award
Community Bridges	Connected Monterey Mobility Initiative	Expand specialized transportation services for seniors and individuals with disabilities throughout Monterey County by dedicating three full-time drivers from its Lift Line service to provide free, ADA-compliant, door-to-door transportation.	10	\$1,860,000	\$1,860,000	No Award
TOTAL (Measure X) Grant Request					\$5,758,119	\$1,860,000
Cycle 4 Amount Available					\$1,860,000	\$1,860,000
Excess Amount					\$3,898,119	\$0

*Per the program guidelines, funds not expended in the current funding cycle will be carried forward and made available in future cycles.

Measure X Senior & Disabled Program

Cycle 3 Funds

TOTAL Cycle 3 Amount Available	\$1,500,000.00
Claimed to-date	\$1,216,228.20
Amount Remaining	\$283,772.80

Recipient	Allocation	Claimed to-date	Remaining	Percent Used
Alliance on Aging	\$227,820.00	\$193,487.29	\$34,332.71	85%
ITN Monterey County	\$705,263.00	\$559,066.69	\$146,196.31	79%
Partnership for Children	\$345,504.00	\$287,964.77	\$57,539.23	83%
Kernes Pool	\$78,770.00	\$34,358.33	\$44,411.67	44%
Blind & Visually Impaired Center	\$142,644.00	\$141,351.12	\$1,292.88	99%
TOTAL		\$1,216,228.20	\$283,772.80	81%

*Grantees have until June 30, 2026 to expend all funds.

Memorandum

To: Citizens Oversight Committee

From: Theresa Wright, Community Outreach Coordinator, Kevin Dayton

Meeting Date: April 21, 2026

Subject: **Measure X Seventh Year Audit (FY24/25) Results and the Measure X Annual Report**

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RECEIVE presentation on the Measure X Seventh Year Audit (fiscal year 2024/25) results and the Measure X Annual Report.

SUMMARY:

The audit subcommittee of the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee conducted the seventh year audit of the revenues and expenditure of Measure X funds, prepared the Committee's annual report, and will present their findings to the Measure X Oversight Committee and to the Transportation Agency's Board of Directors.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

In the past fiscal year (FY) 2024/2025, Measure X generated \$42.8 million in revenues. Of that amount, 60% was distributed to the cities and the County for local street and road projects, while the remaining 40% was programmed for regional safety and mobility projects.

DISCUSSION:

In accordance with the Policies & Project Descriptions for the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, a Citizens Oversight Committee representing a diverse range of community interests was formed within six months of voter approval of Measure X in November 2016. The Transportation Agency Board of Directors appointed the original members to the committee on March 22, 2017.

The committee was formed in order to facilitate the Transportation Agency's Transportation Safety and Investment Plan and Retail Transaction and Use Tax Ordinance 2016-01. The Ordinance, known as Measure X, was anticipated to raise \$600 million over 30 years. The Oversight Committee's purpose is to be an additional layer of transparency so that the public is assured that the Transportation Agency, the County of Monterey, and the participating cities are consistent with the terms of the Ordinance and funding agreements.

The Committee's duties, as defined in the Policies & Project Descriptions for the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan, are as follows:

- Conduct independent audits to assure that funds are being expended in accordance with the requirements of the Transportation Safety & Investment Plan;
- Review and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the plan, prior to Transportation Agency Board consideration;

- Review and comment on project delivery schedules as represented in the Strategic Expenditure Plan and make recommendations to the Transportation Agency on any proposals for changing project delivery priorities; and
- Prepare annual reports regarding the administration of the program, to be presented to the Transportation Agency Board of Directors and available for public review.

On October 7, 2025, the Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee unanimously appointed Committee members Norm Groot, Monica Lal and Robin Lee to serve on the audit subcommittee with Committee Chair Kevin Dayton and Vice Chair Christie Cromeenes to conduct the independent audit for fiscal year 2024/2025 and to prepare the annual audit report.

The duties of the subcommittee are to conduct the audit, report their findings to the full oversight committee, and prepare the Measure X Annual Report. The committee is also required to present their findings and the Measure X Annual Report to the TAMC Board of Directors, and to make their report available to the public.

The Measure X Audit Subcommittee conducted the independent audit and prepared the Measure X Annual Report in January 2026. The attached document provides the results of the subcommittee's audit and the Measure X Oversight Committee's Annual Report.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Annual Audit Report - 2025

WEB ATTACHMENTS:



Safe Streets Together

2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee Annual Report

Your Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee has completed the ninth year of its 30-year commitment to ensure that local governments properly spend the Monterey County transportation sales tax.

We meet quarterly on YOUR behalf to track YOUR money. For every \$100 spent in Monterey County, 37½ cents goes to the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC). While small individually, these contributions add up.

In the 2024–2025 fiscal year (July 1, 2024–June 30, 2025), TAMC collected \$39,854,771 in Measure X revenue. This funding stays in Monterey County and also helps leverage additional federal and state matching funds.

Sixty percent of Measure X revenue goes directly to the twelve cities and

the County of Monterey for local projects. TAMC uses the remaining 40 percent for regional projects and programs that improve mobility for people who cannot or do not drive.

The committee exists because voters wanted an added layer of accountability. Measure X required approval from two-thirds of voters, a high threshold that reflects high expectations for transparency and trust.

When Measure X appeared on the November 2016 ballot, the fifth attempt since 1988, the TAMC Board added a requirement for a broad citizens oversight committee. Voters approved Measure X with 67.71% support.

We are pleased to report that all jurisdictions continued to spend and report their funds properly in 2024–2025. The previous year achieved

100% compliance for the first time. This year, one city missed the deadline for submitting its audit, preventing a second year of full compliance; however, we have no evidence of improper spending, and compliance will be confirmed once the audit is complete.

Residents who lived here before Measure X can see noticeable improvements in road conditions over the past nine years. You can be confident that your Measure X dollars are being used as voters intended.

Sincerely,

Kevin Dayton, 2025 Chair
Measure X Citizens Oversight Committee

Measure X Compliance Summary	Measure X Compliance Chart FY 24/25													
	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	Report received by 12/31 deadline	Funds carried-over	Measure X Revenues	Interest	Total Funds	Measure X Expenditures	Balance	Maintenance of Effort Met	In compliance Feb. 4, 2026
Monterey County	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$11,315,877	\$9,801,588	\$102,405	\$21,219,870	-\$16,607,127	\$4,612,743	Yes	Yes
Carmel	MOE*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$0	\$247,941	\$5,876	\$253,817	-\$253,817	\$0	Yes	Yes
Del Rey Oaks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$114,539	\$99,863	\$0	\$214,402	-\$139,159	\$75,243	Yes	Yes
Gonzales	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$0	\$347,727	\$0	\$347,727	-\$347,727	\$0	Yes	Yes
Greenfield	Late	Late	Late	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$2,594,268	\$793,427	\$83,814	\$3,471,509	-\$264,498	\$3,207,011	Yes	Yes
King City	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$659,132	\$574,987	\$18,131	\$1,252,250	-\$589,042	\$663,208	Yes	Yes
Marina	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1,045,169	\$1,093,808	\$6,808	\$2,145,785	-\$955,452	\$1,190,333	Yes	Yes
Monterey	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	\$5,522,038	\$1,396,924	\$213,877	\$7,132,839	-\$601,015	\$6,531,824	Yes	No
Pacific Grove	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1,036,890	\$820,135	\$35,920	\$1,892,945	-\$599,605	\$1,293,340	Yes	Yes
Salinas	Yes	Late	Late	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$16,864,503	\$6,284,933	\$807,997	\$23,957,433	-\$5,140,925	\$18,816,508	Yes	Yes
Sand City	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$107,689	\$49,144	\$0	\$156,833	\$0	\$156,833	Yes	Yes
Seaside	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$1,747,806	\$1,333,429	\$57,000	\$3,138,235	-\$2,068,263	\$1,069,972	Yes	Yes
Soledad	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$4,863,340	\$981,601	\$158,044	\$6,002,985	-\$4,650,948	\$1,352,037	Yes	Yes
Yes	Jurisdiction is in full compliance.					Cities/County Subtotal	\$45,871,251	\$23,825,508	\$1,489,872	\$71,186,631	-\$32,217,578	\$38,969,052		
Late	Compliance issue that has since been resolved.					Regional Subtotal	\$70,059,322	\$15,780,000	\$2,772,100	\$77,838,826	-\$18,100,000	\$71,978,592		
No	Did not submit by deadline Measure X revenue withheld.					Admin Fees (1%)	\$398,500							
Maintenance of Effort						Regional and Admin Interest	\$2,826,000							