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AGENDA
MEASURE P OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.
(Vallejo Room)

May 9, 2024

Jasmine Salmeron (Chair, Dist. 6)
Brien Farrell (Vice Chair, Dist. 5)
Kanat Tibet (Dist.1)
Loretta Gaddies (Dist. 2)
Richard Hybels (Dist. 3)
Anna Bergman (Dist. 4)
Jackie Jones (at-large)

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. COMMUNITY FORUM

Anyone wishing to address the Measure P Oversight Committee for which another opportunity to speak is not provided on the agenda and which is in the jurisdiction of the Measure P Oversight Committee may do so. The conduct of the community forum shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) minutes, with each speaker limited to a maximum of three minutes pursuant to Vallejo Municipal Code Section 2.02.300.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Recommendation: *By motion, approve the May 9, 2024, agenda.*

6. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY

7. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

8. REPORT OF THE CITY COUNCIL LIAISONS

9. REPORT OF THE CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

10. ACTION ITEMS

- A.** Review and consider approval of final draft of the Measure P Oversight Committee's recommendation to City Council for FY 2024-25 Measure P fund appropriations.

Recommendation: *By motion, approve the Measure P Oversight Committee's recommendation to City Council for FY 2024-25 Measure P fund appropriations.*

- B.** Discuss lessons learned from project review and recommendation process.

- C.** Continued discussion and development of Committee Work Plan, including:

1. Expected timelines
2. Deliverables

- D.** Discuss the use of special ad hoc committees.

- E.** Discuss "Add-On" recommendations for Measure P fund appropriations in addition to and/or outside of the projects the Committee voted to recommend at the March 27, 2024, meeting.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12. ADJOURNMENT

I, Debbie Martir, Measure P Oversight Committee Secretary, do hereby certify that I have caused a true copy of the above notice and agenda to be delivered to each of the members of the Measure P Oversight Committee, at the time and in the manner prescribed by law and that this agenda was posted at City Hall, 555 Santa Clara Street, CA at 6:00 p.m., Monday, May 6, 2024.

Dated: May 6, 2024

Administrative Manager, Public Works Department

RECCOMENDATION OF PROPOSED MEASURE P SPENDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 24-2025

As of March 27, 2024

Written and approved by: Measure P Oversight Committee

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History of Measure P

On November 8, 2022, Vallejo voters approved Measure P by more than 55% after several arguments for and rebuttals made by residents and community leaders. The transactions and use tax is estimated to generate approximately eighteen (18) million dollars in revenue annually. Measure P authorizes a seven eighths of one percent (.875%) transactions and use tax which would increase the combined sales tax in Vallejo to 9.25 percent (9.25%). The general tax proceeds may be used for any municipal purpose. Several priorities were identified by the City Council focusing allocations to keeping public spaces healthy, safe and clean; maintaining fire protection, emergency medical response and crime prevention; addressing homelessness, blight and dumping; and repairing deteriorating neighborhood streets, roads and sidewalks.

On July 26, 2023, ORDINANCE NO. 1866 N.C. (2d), adopting Measure P was adopted by the City Council. On December 20, 2022, RESOLUTION NO. 22-222 N.C. determined the prioritized use of funds for revenue generated by Measure P. On November 15, 2023, the first Measure P Oversight Committee meeting was held.

Commissioners by District

On March 22, 2022, the City of Vallejo adopted Ordinance No. 1862 N.C. (2d) which established its new city council district boundaries. The Measure P Oversight Committee is composed of a resident Commissioner from each district.

District 1 - Kanat Tibet

Kanat led policy campaigns, programs, and projects, crafting, and implementing innovative strategies to address complex policy, funding, and public engagement issues related to build environment, social and environmental justice issues and health inequities that expanded new programs into large-scale movements with profound social impact. Kanat holds a master's degree in communication.

District 2 - Loretta Gaddies

Lorretta Gaddies is a resident of District 2.

District 3 - Richard Hybels

Richard Hybels moved from San Francisco to Vallejo in 2010. Soon thereafter, his civic engagement consisted of writing letters to the Council about the inability to rid nearby streets of non-moving vehicles. After retiring he began to further look into why Vallejo would not or could not do anything about the plague of non-moving vehicles. He began to write to the Council and his first speaking appearance at the City Council was in 2019. He's continued to speak at the Council meetings, write letters and go to various meetings to speak with authorities face to face. In 2023, he applied to the Measure P Oversight Committee and the forthcoming Police Oversight and Accountability Commission, being appointed to both bodies. His civic concerns also include crime, policing, homelessness and the economic vitality of Vallejo.

District 4 - Anna Bergman

Anna Bergman (she/her) is an archivist and historian with a background in public health and injury prevention who is determined that everyone be recognized and included. She is the producer of Bayard Rustin Symposium and other cultural events to promote community conversation. Anna loves living in Vallejo and is honored to be part of making it better.

District 5 - Brien Farrell, Vice Chair

Brien Farrell's family moved to Solano County in 2016 and Vallejo in 2019. In 2016, he taught part-time at Vallejo High School. In 2021 and 2022, he sat on 12 or 13 oral board panels for openings in the Vallejo Police Department. He observed how much better prepared, skilled, and mature the graduates of the VPD cadet program were. He has participated in the Common Ground Public Safety Committee and Solano County ACLU police reform efforts. Brien worked with many residents to oppose approval of a cement mill in South Vallejo. Before retiring in 2008 to teach Government and Economics at a Santa Rosa high school, he worked for over twenty years at the City Attorney's Office in Santa Rosa, California. Some of the most rewarding projects included a revitalization program for neighborhoods with the most blight. The end results were successful prosecution of slumlords, owners of motel/ brothels, and investors, whose tenants were intimidating neighbors and destroying their property. Additionally, they supported the formation of neighborhood councils. A fully dedicated building and fire inspector, police officer, bilingual community organizer, city prosecutor, and other staff, as needed, made the program successful. It is Brien's goal to promote active involvement of many Vallejo residents, neighborhoods, and groups in helping to prioritize the use of Measure P funding. As promised in the Measure P ballot argument, the people, not government officials, should have the most power over how their dollars are used to tackle the nine council priorities for use of Measure P funds.

District 6 - Jasmine Salmeron, Chair

Jasmine Salmeron is an Accountant with significant experience in project management and a compliance enthusiast. In addition to a Bachelor of Science in Accounting, she holds professional certificates in Anti-Money Laundering and is a Certified Fraud Examiner candidate. In 2015, Jasmine began volunteering with the Participatory Budgeting Steering Committee and was later nominated as the Co-Chair. She is passionate about eliminating barriers for youth, non-English speakers, people with disabilities and other communities that contribute to the city's diversity. Jasmine is committed to equitable representation, accountability, transparency and improving the quality of life in Vallejo for generations to come.

At-Large - Jackie Jones

Jackie Jones (she/her) is a same gender loving person, mother of a 22-year-old black male, partner to an amazing queer woman, and youngest of 3 daughters born and raised in Mississippi. Jackie is currently employed as a Civil Superintendent. As a U.S. Navy veteran, she developed a passion for underserved communities while stationed in the Philippines in 1989. Upon returning to the States, she began volunteering at various homeless shelters and encampments in San Diego and Los Angeles. In 1995, she relocated to Vallejo and continued community service with the churches. In 2012, she met Maria Guevara, founder of Vallejo Together and became a volunteer. In 2022, she joined the Vallejo Together Board of Directors and was elected the Board President in July 2023. Her hope is to serve and be a voice for the unhoused community of Vallejo. She is committed to partnering with the City of Vallejo, local businesses, elected officials, community, and faith-based organizations to achieve sustainable and equitable solutions to the crises of homelessness. She

believes that housing is a fundamental right for everyone. She is honored to be a part of this Measure P Oversight Committee. To be a voice and liaison to and for the community; working with city staff, and elected officials for the good of all our citizens.

Duties of the Commission

Ordinance No. 1866 N.C. (2d), 3.30.170 Citizens' Oversight Committee

A. A Citizens' Oversight Committee is hereby established to independently review and advise upon the City's expenditure of proceeds generated by the transactions and use tax. The Committee shall meet at least twice each calendar year and more frequently, if necessary, to discharge the responsibilities of the Committee. All meetings of the Committee shall be held in accordance with provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code Section 54950 et seq.).

1. The Committee shall consist of seven members, all of whom shall be residents of the City of Vallejo. The City shall initially post and publish notice soliciting applications for persons interested in being members of the Committee and shall thereafter repost and republish notice soliciting applications as necessary to fill vacancies on the Committee. The City Council shall review all applications for eligibility and at a public meeting appoint seven eligible applicants to serve as members of the Committee. Council Members and the Mayor shall each appoint one member. Members appointed by Council Members shall be residents of the corresponding Council District of the appointing Council Member. Members appointed by the Mayor may reside anywhere in the City. Each member of the Committee shall serve for a term of two years and such service shall be at the pleasure of the City Council. Four members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum. Members of the Committee shall not receive a stipend for their service. Any additional responsibilities and duties of the Committee shall be established by resolution of the City Council. Except as otherwise set forth in this section 3.09.170, the Committee shall be subject to Chapter 2.26 of this Code.

2. The Citizens' Oversight Committee shall annually review and report on (a) the City's proposed and actual expenditure of proceeds generated by the transactions and use tax and (b) the independent annual audit required under this chapter. The Committee's report shall be submitted to the City Council for review and discussion at a public meeting of the City Council and shall be available to the public.

3. The City shall provide such staff resources as are reasonably necessary to assist the Committee with the discharge of its duties under this chapter. The Committee shall not have authority to hire or retain its own staff, consultants, or contractors.

Workplan

The Measure P Oversight Committee is the first oversight board of its kind in Vallejo, California. The committee convened without a work plan in place and has successfully worked in lieu of such guidance. A tentative Work Plan outline was discussed at a regular meeting on February 29, 2024 and is scheduled to be refined at a future meeting. This work plan will be subject to acceptance by

the City Council. Having achieved the first deliverable, the committee has documented the necessary milestones to complete the final deliverable for Stage 1, Review of Proposed Spending.

Draft Work Plan for Measure P Oversight Committee

Stage 1 - Review of Proposed Spending for upcoming Fiscal Year

Presentation 1:	Receives Presentation from City Manager's office.
Deliverable:	Requests additional information on proposals.
Public Outreach:	Request input from public.
Presentation 2:	Receives follow up presentation from City Manager's Office.
Deliverable:	Vote and written recommendation of proposed spending,

Meetings

The Measure P Oversight Committee has held a total of eight (8) meetings, two (2) regular meetings and six (6) special meetings, within five months since inception. Two of these meetings brought actions to the City Council that were both approved. Future meetings should be scheduled to avoid decisions made in haste.

1. **November 15, 2024 (Regular Meeting)**- Brown Act Training, selection of Chair Toles and Vice Chair Salmeron
2. **December 5, 2024 (Special Meeting)** - Measure P Budget and Budget Process and Proposed Measure P Funded Projects presentations.
3. **January 25, 2024 (Special Meeting)** - Committee requests authority to hold Public Outreach sessions to gather public input. Request approved by council on February 20, 2024. Received Pavement Management Program presentation, which was misrepresented on agenda. All projects within the proposal were presented by department representatives during this meeting.
4. **February 15, 2024 (Special Meeting)** - Received report from Public Works Director Tigbao to appropriate Measure P funds for Pavement Management Plan and initiate bond application process through an action item to be brought before the council on February 20, 2024. Measure P Oversight Committee requested an additional allocation for pothole repairs and road striping for immediate safety improvements. Motion to approve immediate repairs and Pavement Management Plan unanimously approved by Council on February 20, 2024.
5. **February 20, 2024 (City Council Meeting)** - Chair Salmeron spoke on behalf of the committee to communicate the importance of public input and share the committee's diligence and flexibility with last minute changes to meet internal deadlines.
6. **February 29, 2024 (Regular Meeting)** - Selection of Chair Salmeron and Vice Chair Farrell. Received additional training from Chief Assistant City Attorney Risner regarding duties and powers of the Committee set forth in VMC section 3.09.150. Discussion about Committee's recommendation authority under the ordinance. Discussion about how the Committee makes recommendations and the reviewing and reporting process.
7. **March 7, 2024 (Special Meeting)** - Public Workshop to receive input concerning the City's proposed use of Measure P funds.

8. **March 21, 2024 (Special Meeting)** - Received more information from staff on proposed FY 24 - 25 Measure P funded projects.
9. **March 27, 2024 (Special Meeting)** - Question and Answer session with staff on proposed FY 24 - 25 Measure P funded projects to determine Committee recommendations.

Public Outreach

On February 20, 2024, the Measure P Oversight Committee requested approval to host one (1) public workshop per quarter. The primary intent of public outreach is to collect data on current critical issues impacting quality of life and suggestions for Measure P funding allocations. City Manager Mike Malone agreed to two (2) public workshops annually, and the City Council approved two (2) public workshops annually.

On March 7, 2024, the Measure P Oversight Committee held its first Public Workshop, in person and accessible via Zoom. Although public notification was posted only 3 days prior to the meeting, there were many comments and suggestions brought forth from concerned residents and City and County officials. Common concerns expressed: crime prevention/safety, homelessness, youth and financial transparency.

Receiving public comment has added great value to the discussions surrounding ordinance priorities and specific projects proposed by City staff. Public comments are included as exhibits to this report. The committee has a strong desire to hold public forums away from City Hall to ensure participation is equitable and accessible to the entire community.

Obstacles

A major obstacle to providing recommendations in Stage 1 was the lack of detailed information to justify the need for each project. Many committee members expressed their concern with making a sound decision without having more facts presented. Common details or facts requested include:

1. Specific areas to be serviced (i.e. Districts, roads, etc.)
2. Number of residents who will benefit.
3. Cost per quantity (i.e. person, mile, item).
4. Other funding sources.
5. Project timelines.

Additional obstacles include limitation of resources, inconsistent directives, lack of transparency, short notices, and unmanageable deadlines.

Subjective Representation of the Measure P Oversight Committee

On February 20, 2024, Assistant City Manager, Terrance Davis presented the request for Measure P Oversight Committee to hold Town Hall meetings. The committee requested this item be brought before the council after many debates with the City Manager and Assistant City Manager regarding equitable solicitation of public feedback. This topic became a concern when the committee learned that the only public survey related to Measure P was conducted in English via telephone, over 2 years ago. The committee agreed that a phone survey is insufficient and not equitable for the

diverse community of Vallejo and the City Manager's office disagreed with the committee's perspective. The recommendation that was brought before council did not include any of concerns raised by the committee, however, inferred that adding public meetings would effectively delay the process. "Such meetings, if authorized, will add additional time to the process of obtaining the committee's report on the proposed expenditures. The amount of time will depend on the number and frequency of the requested Town Hall meetings.". The committee had not anticipated the City Managers rebuttal would be included within the body of the recommendation. The committee was not provided with a draft or copy of the recommendation prior to public posting of the agenda. This subjective representation of the Measure P Oversight Committee is not complimentary to Ordinance No. 1866 N.C. (2d), 3.30.170, which states, *"The City shall provide such staff resources as are reasonably necessary to assist the Committee with the discharge of its duties under this chapter. The Committee shall not have authority to hire or retain its own staff, consultants, or contractors."* The committee finds it necessary to learn from the public about current, critical issues that each district is facing. The subjective representation has led to mistrust and motivated the Measure P Oversight Committee to author its own deliverables using ad-hoc committees of 3 or less.

Funding Municipal Projects aside from Measure P Priorities

The City Council approved a request to amend FY 2023-24 Capital Improvement Program Budget (project #PW9818) in the amount of \$1,998,200 to advance the design of the new police station and utilize Measure P funding on March 26, 2024. The Measure P Oversight Committee was not notified of the intent to allocate funds to a municipal project outside of the ordinance priorities until March 27, 2024. Assistant City Manager, Terrance Davis, asked the committee to vote on the allocation of funds on March 27, 2024, despite the request already being approved. The Measure P Oversight Committee voted to approve the request as a formality, considering the decision had already been made without their knowledge. The committee expressed that funding police reform projects is not appropriately categorized under the crime prevention priority. The committee asked that the Council consider amending Measure P priorities to include police reform if the intent if for Measure P to fund police reform initiatives. Additionally, The City Manager's office had ample time to notify the Measure P Oversight Committee of this recommendation to City Council and made no such effort. That action blatantly disregards the responsibilities of the oversight committee to review proposed expenditures, according to Ordinance No. 1866 N.C. (2d), 3.30.170. Such actions only serve to erode the trust between the City of Vallejo and the public. The committee identifies the lack of transparency as an obstacle to conducting oversight and providing advisory.

Recommendation to City Council

This consolidated report outlines each proposal received from the City Manager's office and recommendation made by the Measure P Oversight Committee for fiscal year 24-2025. It is the committee's intention to submit each recommendation separately to the Mayor and Council. The recommendations are supported by public comments collected from November 15, 2024, through March 27, 2024, copies can be found in the Exhibits of this report.

- 1. Project:** Illegal Dumping/Litter Abatement
Council Priority: Address Dumping
Amount: \$500,000
Motion: Passed unanimously
Recommendation: none

2. **Project:** Graffiti Removal Equipment
Council Priority: Blight/Keeping Public Spaces Clean
Amount: \$150,000
Motion: Passed unanimously
Recommendation: none
3. **Project:** Streetlight Repair/Expansion
Council Priority: Blight/Keeping Public Spaces Clean
Amount: \$150,000
Motion: Passed unanimously
Recommendation: none
4. **Project:** Cardiac Monitors (Defibrillators)
Council Priority: Emergency Services Response
Amount: \$500,000
Motion: Passed unanimously
Recommendation: none
5. **Project:** Dept. of Justice Policy and Practices Reform Efforts
Council Priority: Crime Prevention
Amount: \$500,000
Motion: Not Approved, unanimously
Recommendation:
The MPOC unanimously agreed that the Dept. of Justice Policy and Practices Reform Efforts project was incorrectly categorized under the “Crime Prevention” priority therefore was ineligible for Measure P funds.

Project: Increased Security Services
Council Priority: Crime Prevention
Amount: \$500,000
Motion: Passed unanimously
Recommendation:
The Request for Proposal (RFP) process should be publicized to entice local businesses to participate. Workforce development and reinvestment in the City of Vallejo is a requirement of the ordinance.

Project: Extreme Weather Center
Council Priority: Homelessness
Amount: \$500,000
Motion: Passed unanimously
Recommendation: none

Project: Navigation Center
Council Priority: Homelessness
Amount: \$1.1M
Motion: Passed unanimously

Recommendation: none

Project: Youth Programs

Council Priority: Youth Priorities

Amount: \$400,000

Motion: Passed unanimously

Recommendation:

The Measure P Oversight Committee recommends that the youth proposal be considered and given a separate vote for each project that is requesting funding in the Fiscal Year 24-25. The committee voted on each project, and each passed unanimously.

Youth Coordinator, Victoria Grace-Barksdale, amended the original proposal, reallocating \$125,000 from Youth Community Grants to GVRD Scholarship funds that will be accessible immediately.

1. **\$125,000 GVRD Scholarships**
2. **\$80,000 City of Vallejo Youth Council Support and Outreach**
3. **\$125,000 Youth Community Grants**
4. **\$70,000 Robbin Mackbee Firefighter Youth Academy**

EXHIBITS

- Ordinance and Resolutions
- Staff Reports
- Requests for Information
- Public Comments

ORDINANCE NO. 1866 N.C. (2d)

A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3.09 OF THE VALLEJO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO THE VALLEJO LOCAL ROAD AND ESSENTIAL SERVICES MEASURE TO MAINTAIN CITY SERVICES, INCLUDING REPAIRING, REPAVING, AND MAINTAINING DETERIORATING LOCAL ROADS; IMPROVING CITY BUILDINGS; ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS; FIRE PROTECTION, YOUTH SERVICES; AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT USE; REQUIRING INDEPENDENT AUDITS, CITIZEN OVERSIGHT, AND ALL FUNDS SPENT IN VALLEJO

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 3.09.020 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.020 - Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter the following terms shall have the meanings given in this section:

A. “City” means the incorporated territory of the city.

B. “Operative date” means the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than one hundred ten days after the adoption of this chapter and the approval by the voters of the city of a measure approving the imposition of a transaction and use tax; provided, that if the city shall not have contracted with the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** as required by Section 3.09.040 prior to such date, the city shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

SECTION 2. Section 3.09.030 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.030 - Purpose.

The city council hereby declares that this chapter is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

A. To impose a retail transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and Section 7285.9 of Part 1.7 of Division 2 which authorizes the city to adopt this tax ordinance which shall be operative if a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose.

B. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that incorporates provisions identical to those of the sales and use tax law of the state of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

C. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that imposes a tax and provides a measure therefor that can be administered and collected by the **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes.

D. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that can be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimize the burden of recordkeeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Section 3.09.040 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.40 – Contract with State

Prior to the operative date, the city shall contract with the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this chapter.

SECTION 4. Section 3.09.055 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

3.09.055 - Imposition of additional transaction tax, transaction tax rate.

For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, in addition to section 3.09.50 of this chapter, an additional tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in the city at the rate of seven-eighths cent (.875%) of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in said territory on and after the operative date.

SECTION 5. Section 3.09.060 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.060 - Place of sale.

For the purposes of this chapter, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The

gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the state or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration**.

SECTION 6. Section 3.09.075 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

3.09.075 - Imposition of use tax, use tax rate.

In addition to section 3.09.70 of this chapter, an additional excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the city of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date and before the termination date for storage, use or other consumption in said territory at the rate of seven-eighths percent (.875%) of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

SECTION 7. Section 3.09.090 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.090 - Limitations on the adoption of state law and collection of use taxes.

In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code:

A. Wherever the state of California is named or referred to as the taxing agency, the name of the city shall be substituted therefor. However, the substitution shall not be made when:

1. The word "State" is used as a part of the title of the State Controller, State Treasurer, State Board of Control, State Board of Equalization, State Treasury, **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration**, or the Constitution of the State of California;
2. The result of that substitution would require action to be taken by or against this city or any agency, officer, or employee thereof rather than by or against the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration**, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this chapter.

3. In those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to, sections referring to the exterior boundaries of the state of California, where the result of the substitution would be to:

a. Provide an exemption from this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not otherwise be exempt from this tax while such sales, storage, use or other consumption remain subject to tax by the state under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code; or

b. Impose this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not be subject to tax by the state under the said provision of that code.

4. In Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof), 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797 or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

B. The word "city" shall be substituted for the word "State" in the phrase "retailer engaged in business in this State" in Section 6203 and in the definition of that phrase in Section 6203.

SECTION 8. Section 3.30.160 is hereby added to Chapter 3.09 and shall read as follows:

3.30.160 Independent annual audit.

The proceeds resulting from the transactions and use tax imposed by this chapter shall be deposited into the City's general fund and shall be subject to the same independent annual audit requirements as other general fund revenue. The independent auditor's report, which shall include an accounting of the revenues received and expenditures made from the transactions and use tax, will be presented annually to the Citizens' Oversight Committee, the City Council and made available for public review.

SECTION 9. Section 3.30.170 is hereby added to Chapter 3.09 and shall read as follows:

3.30.170 Citizens' Oversight Committee.

A. A Citizens' Oversight Committee is hereby established to independently review and advise upon the City's expenditure of proceeds generated by the transactions and use tax. The Committee shall meet at least twice each calendar year and more frequently, if necessary, to discharge the responsibilities of the Committee. All meetings of the Committee shall be held in

accordance with provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code Section 54950 et seq.).

1. The Committee shall consist of seven members, all of whom shall be residents of the City of Vallejo. The City shall initially post and publish notice soliciting applications for persons interested in being members of the Committee and shall thereafter repost and republish notice soliciting applications as necessary to fill vacancies on the Committee. The City Council shall review all applications for eligibility and at a public meeting appoint seven eligible applicants to serve as members of the Committee. Council Members and the Mayor shall each appoint one member. Members appointed by Council Members shall be residents of the corresponding Council District of the appointing Council Member. Members appointed by the Mayor may reside anywhere in the City. Each member of the Committee shall serve for a term of two years and such service shall be at the pleasure of the City Council. Four members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum. Members of the Committee shall not receive a stipend for their service. Any additional responsibilities and duties of the Committee shall be established by resolution of the City Council. Except as otherwise set forth in this section 3.09.170, the Committee shall be subject to Chapter 2.26 of this Code.

2. The Citizens' Oversight Committee shall annually review and report on (a) the City's proposed and actual expenditure of proceeds generated by the transactions and use tax and (b) the independent annual audit required under this chapter. The Committee's report shall be submitted to the City Council for review and discussion at a public meeting of the City Council and shall be available to the public.

3. The City shall provide such staff resources as are reasonably necessary to assist the Committee with the discharge of its duties under this chapter. The Committee shall not have authority to hire or retain its own staff, consultants, or contractors.

SECTION 10. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 11. CONSTRUCTION. To the extent the provisions of the Vallejo Municipal code as amended by this Ordinance are substantially the same as the provisions of that Code as it read earlier, those provisions shall be read as continuations of earlier enactments and not as new enactments.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 8, 2022. Upon approval by a majority of the voters of the City voting on this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall take effect 10 days after the City Council certifies the result of the election, as provided by Elections Code section 9217, and the Transactions and Use Tax shall be increased as provided for in this Ordinance.

First read at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Vallejo held on the 12th day of July, 2022 and finally adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Vallejo on the 26th day of July, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES: Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga, Councilmembers Arriola, Brown, Dew, Loera-Diaz
and Miessner
NOES: Mayor McConnell
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

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RESOLUTION NO. 22-222 N.C.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO CONFIRMING
SPENDING PRIORITIES RELATED TO REVENUES DERIVED FROM THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF MEASURE P, A SEVEN-EIGHTHS (0.875) OF ONE CENT
GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE MEASURE**

WHEREAS, the Vallejo Safe Streets and Essential Services Measure (the “Measure”) was submitted to the voters at the November 8, 2022 general municipal election; and

WHEREAS, the Measure, appearing on the November 8, 2022 Solano County Registrar of Voters elections ballot as Measure P, was approved by 54.68 percent of the voters, will provide approximately \$18 million annually paid to the City’s General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Vallejo have expressed their desires about how such revenue should be prioritized in the City’ and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the desires of the citizens are important to the safety, wellbeing, and economic development of the City of Vallejo; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to set spending priorities for the use of the revenues generated by the Measure.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO DOES
RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS, THAT:**

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby directs staff to prioritize the following uses of revenue generated by the Measure:

1. Maintain critical city services such as keeping public spaces healthy, safe and clean;
2. Maintain fire protection;
3. Maintain emergency medical response;
4. Maintain crime prevention;
5. Address homelessness;
6. Address blight;
7. Address dumping;
8. Repair deteriorating neighborhood streets, roads and sidewalks; and
9. Youth priorities.

SECTION 2. Any proposed uses of revenues generated by the Measure not set forth herein shall be submitted by staff to the City Council for consideration. In order to utilize funds on priorities not set forth herein, the City Council shall amend this resolution setting forth the new priorities.

SECTION 3. The City Council does hereby direct and order that this resolution may only be amended or rescinded by the affirmative vote of five (5) or more Council Members. The Mayor, if voting affirmatively, shall be considered as one of the five or more required votes of Council Members.

ADOPTED, by the City Council of the City of Vallejo at a regular meeting held on December 20, 2022 with the following vote:

AYES: Mayor McConnell, Vice Mayor Verder-Aliga, Councilmembers Brown, Dew and Miessner
NOES: Councilmembers Arriola and Loera-Diaz
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

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ORDINANCE NO. 1866 N.C. (2d)

A PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3.09 OF THE VALLEJO MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO THE VALLEJO LOCAL ROAD AND ESSENTIAL SERVICES MEASURE TO MAINTAIN CITY SERVICES, INCLUDING REPAIRING, REPAVING, AND MAINTAINING DETERIORATING LOCAL ROADS; IMPROVING CITY BUILDINGS; ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS; FIRE PROTECTION, YOUTH SERVICES; AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT USE; REQUIRING INDEPENDENT AUDITS, CITIZEN OVERSIGHT, AND ALL FUNDS SPENT IN VALLEJO

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF VALLEJO DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 3.09.020 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.020 - Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter the following terms shall have the meanings given in this section:

A. “City” means the incorporated territory of the city.

B. “Operative date” means the first day of the first calendar quarter commencing more than one hundred ten days after the adoption of this chapter and the approval by the voters of the city of a measure approving the imposition of a transaction and use tax; provided, that if the city shall not have contracted with the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** as required by Section 3.09.040 prior to such date, the city shall nevertheless so contract and in such a case the operative date shall be the first day of the first calendar quarter following the execution of such a contract.

SECTION 2. Section 3.09.030 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.030 - Purpose.

The city council hereby declares that this chapter is adopted to achieve the following, among other purposes, and directs that the provisions hereof be interpreted in order to accomplish those purposes:

A. To impose a retail transactions and use tax in accordance with the provisions of Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and Section 7285.9 of Part 1.7 of Division 2 which authorizes the city to adopt this tax ordinance which shall be operative if a majority of the electors voting on the measure vote to approve the imposition of the tax at an election called for that purpose.

B. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that incorporates provisions identical to those of the sales and use tax law of the state of California insofar as those provisions are not inconsistent with the requirements and limitations contained in Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

C. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that imposes a tax and provides a measure therefor that can be administered and collected by the **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** in a manner that adapts itself as fully as practicable to, and requires the least possible deviation from, the existing statutory and administrative procedures followed by the **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** in administering and collecting the California State Sales and Use Taxes.

D. To adopt a retail transactions and use tax ordinance that can be administered in a manner that will be, to the greatest degree possible, consistent with the provisions of Part 1.6 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, minimize the cost of collecting the transactions and use taxes, and at the same time, minimize the burden of recordkeeping upon persons subject to taxation under the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Section 3.09.040 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.40 – Contract with State

Prior to the operative date, the city shall contract with the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration** to perform all functions incident to the administration and operation of this chapter.

SECTION 4. Section 3.09.055 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

3.09.055 - Imposition of additional transaction tax, transaction tax rate.

For the privilege of selling tangible personal property at retail, in addition to section 3.09.50 of this chapter, an additional tax is hereby imposed upon all retailers in the city at the rate of seven-eighths cent (.875%) of the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of all tangible personal property sold at retail in said territory on and after the operative date.

SECTION 5. Section 3.09.060 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.060 - Place of sale.

For the purposes of this chapter, all retail sales are consummated at the place of business of the retailer unless the tangible personal property sold is delivered by the retailer or his agent to an out-of-state destination or to a common carrier for delivery to an out-of-state destination. The

gross receipts from such sales shall include delivery charges, when such charges are subject to the state sales and use tax, regardless of the place to which delivery is made. In the event a retailer has no permanent place of business in the state or has more than one place of business, the place or places at which the retail sales are consummated shall be determined under rules and regulations to be prescribed and adopted by the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration**.

SECTION 6. Section 3.09.075 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby added to read as follows:

3.09.075 - Imposition of use tax, use tax rate.

In addition to section 3.09.70 of this chapter, an additional excise tax is hereby imposed on the storage, use or other consumption in the city of tangible personal property purchased from any retailer on and after the operative date and before the termination date for storage, use or other consumption in said territory at the rate of seven-eighths percent (.875%) of the sales price of the property. The sales price shall include delivery charges when such charges are subject to state sales or use tax regardless of the place to which delivery is made.

SECTION 7. Section 3.09.090 of the Vallejo Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

3.09.090 - Limitations on the adoption of state law and collection of use taxes.

In adopting the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code:

A. Wherever the state of California is named or referred to as the taxing agency, the name of the city shall be substituted therefor. However, the substitution shall not be made when:

1. The word "State" is used as a part of the title of the State Controller, State Treasurer, State Board of Control, State Board of Equalization, State Treasury, **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration**, or the Constitution of the State of California;
2. The result of that substitution would require action to be taken by or against this city or any agency, officer, or employee thereof rather than by or against the ~~state board of equalization~~ **California Department of Tax and Fee Administration**, in performing the functions incident to the administration or operation of this chapter.

3. In those sections, including, but not necessarily limited to, sections referring to the exterior boundaries of the state of California, where the result of the substitution would be to:

a. Provide an exemption from this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not otherwise be exempt from this tax while such sales, storage, use or other consumption remain subject to tax by the state under the provisions of Part 1 of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code; or

b. Impose this tax with respect to certain sales, storage, use or other consumption of tangible personal property which would not be subject to tax by the state under the said provision of that code.

4. In Sections 6701, 6702 (except in the last sentence thereof), 6711, 6715, 6737, 6797 or 6828 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

B. The word "city" shall be substituted for the word "State" in the phrase "retailer engaged in business in this State" in Section 6203 and in the definition of that phrase in Section 6203.

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DATE: February 20, 2024
TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM: Terrance Davis, Assistant City Manager
SUBJECT: **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE A REQUEST FROM THE MEASURE P OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO HOLD TOWN HALL MEETINGS TO TAKE INPUT ON THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON THE CITY'S PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF MEASURE P FUNDS**

RECOMMENDATION

Consider a request from the Measure P Oversight Committee to hold Town Hall meetings to collect input from the public on the City's proposed expenditure of Measure P funds.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The newly formed Measure P Oversight Committee requests approval to hold Town Hall meetings to get input from the public regarding proposed Measure P expenditures. There is no authority for holding such meetings in the ordinance creating the Measure P Committee. Such meetings, if authorized, will add additional time to the process of obtaining the committee's report on the proposed expenditures. The amount of time will depend on the number and frequency of the requested Town Hall meetings. In addition, there will be indirect costs related to additional staff time, resources and publicizing of any town hall meetings. Council approval is requested.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Vallejo Safe Streets and Essential Services Measure (Measure P) was passed by voters at the November 8, 2022, general municipal election, and provides for a seven-eighths (0.875) of one-cent sales tax increase. It is estimated Measure P revenue will provide approximately \$18 million annually to the City's General Fund.

On December 20, 2022, via Resolution No. 22-222, City Council directed staff to prioritize the expenditure of revenue generated by Measure P on the following:

1. Maintaining critical city services, such as keeping public spaces healthy, safe and clean;
2. Maintaining fire protection;
3. Maintaining emergency medical response;
4. Maintaining crime prevention;
5. Addressing homelessness;
6. Addressing blight;
7. Addressing dumping;
8. Repairing deteriorating neighborhood streets, roads and sidewalks; and
9. Youth priorities.

Section 3.09.150 of the Vallejo Municipal Code provides for a Measure P Citizens' Oversight Committee. The ordinance requires the Committee to annually review and report on (a) the City's proposed and actual expenditure of proceeds generated by the transactions and use tax and (b) the independent annual audit required under Chapter 3.09 of the Vallejo Municipal Code. The Committee is responsible for submitting

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reports to the City Council for review and discussion at public meetings of the City Council and are to be made available to the public.

On October 10, 2023, via Resolution No. 23-169, the City Council appointed the first members to the Measure P Oversight Committee. The Committee consists of seven members appointed by sitting members of the Vallejo City Council. The Committee members are citizens of the City of Vallejo who reside in the appointing Councilmember's district. As of the time of this report, there are five Committee members and applications are being accepted to fill the vacant District 1 and District 2 seats.

The Measure P Oversight Committee has expressed their desire to hold Town Hall meetings in order to disseminate information about proposed Measure P funded projects, encourage citizens to voice their concerns and share ideas, and allow for the collection of public input which will provide feedback the Committee will use to make recommendations to City Council regarding the proposed Measure P expenditures.

Additional time and resources will be required to organize and hold Town Hall meetings for the Measure P Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact with this item.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

ATTACHMENTS

None

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City of
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BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION AT THE

MEASURE P **PUBLIC
WORKSHOP**

THURSDAY

March 7, 2024

7:00 PM



Join In Person:

505 Santa Clara Street, The Vallejo Room
Vallejo, CA 94590

Join by Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/my/vallejoeoc>

Meeting ID: 851 502 7190#

Password: 131313

Dial in by Phone:

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TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

***Join the Measure P Committee to
learn more about proposed
Measure P funded projects***



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DATE: February 20, 2024
TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM: Melissa Tigbao, PE, Public Works Director
SUBJECT: **PROVIDE NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING \$3.5 MILLION OF MEASURE P FUNDING TO CONTINUE PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN EFFORTS; AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO INITIATE THE BOND APPLICATION PROCESS TO ISSUE \$120 MILLION DOLLARS OF REVENUE BONDS IN THE MUNICIPAL BOND MARKET TO FUND A NINE-YEAR CITYWIDE PAVING PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2025-2026 THROUGH 2033-2034**

RECOMMENDATION

1. Provide Notice of Intent to amend the FY 2023-24 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget to appropriate \$3.5 million of existing Measure P revenue to fund the following Pavement Management Program activities:

- \$2 million for a residential street resurfacing (slurry seal) project
- \$500,000 for American with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramp compliance construction
- \$1 million for comprehensive pavement construction design and project management services.

2. Authorize the City Manager to initiate the bond application process to issue \$120 million of revenue bonds in the Municipal Bond Market to fund a nine-year citywide Paving Program for fiscal years 2025/2026 through 2033/2034.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

Improving conditions of Vallejo's roadway network is a key outcome expected to be delivered by the Measure P tax measure. This proposal provides the resources to: 1) start implementing pavement preservation improvements on residential streets this year and next, and 2) commence the planning and engineering necessary to create an annual pipeline of major street repair and associated compliance projects to deliver improvement across Vallejo during the following 9 years of this 10-year program.

Approving this recommendation provides staff with clear direction from Council to prioritize street improvements within the efforts funded by the Measure P revenues and dedicates Measure P revenues to this purpose.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Voters approved the Vallejo's Safe Streets and Essential Services Measure (Measure P) in the November 2022 Municipal Elections. Measure P is estimated to generate \$18 million annually to help maintain critical City services and address community priorities as identified in previous community surveys. Since the adoption of Measure P, more than \$11 million of revenue has been collected to date.

On December 20, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution 22-222, which directed staff to prioritize the following uses of revenue generated by Measure P as follows: 1. Maintain critical city services such as

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keeping public spaces healthy, safe and clean; 2. Maintain fire protection; 3. Maintain emergency medical response; 4. Maintain crime prevention; 5. Address homelessness; 6. Address blight; 7. Address dumping; 8. Repair deteriorating neighborhood streets, roads and sidewalks; and 9. Youth priorities.

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) pavement conditions report for the year 2021 ranked the City of Vallejo with an average Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 48 (poor), making Vallejo one of the lowest ranking jurisdictions. This observation was based on the condition of the City of Vallejo's 710 lane miles of roadways.

Staff have used a number of planning tools such as MTC's Pavement Technical Assistance Program (PTAP), Street Saver Software, and the City's Geographic Information System (GIS) to plan a pavement management program to systematically improve Vallejo's street system. Based on the 2021 PTAP assessment, the estimated overall deferred road maintenance in Vallejo is over \$300 million. The pavement improvements needed range from roadway surface treatments, such as slurry sealing, up to full depth reclamation (FDR) on failing major streets. Analysis and engineering will determine the specific treatments needed for each street. Most street paving treatments trigger bringing intersection curb ramps into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), so a comprehensive curb ramp program must be included as well.

To ramp up pavement preservation efforts, Public Works has used budgeted gas tax (SB1) revenues this past year to engage Unico Engineering for pavement inspection of residential streets, and Willdan Consulting for engineering and pavement management program expertise. However, additional funding of \$3.5 million is needed to continue these efforts (as detailed below) without interruption and to begin construction projects. These projects align with the Council set Measure P funding priorities, and therefore the appropriation of Measure P funding for these efforts is appropriate.

Working with Unico Engineering and Willdan Consulting, and by analyzing the Streetsaver data, Public Works evaluated residential areas to confirm groups of street segments which can be improved quickly with crack seal, minor dig outs and slurry seal. The initial proposed residential segment improvements are now classified as Stage1 improvements, and they can be delivered for \$2 million, including contingency.

The team will prepare a bid package to bring 100 or more curb ramps into compliance with ADA requirements. These ramp locations will be planned to support future paving efforts that would trigger compliance. The bid package will be issued in the winter of 2024 to start construction in the spring of 2025, and will be scaled to not exceed \$500,000.

Working with Willdan Consulting, staff have evaluated the level of effort and costs of delivering pavement treatments on all Vallejo streets below 80 PCI in stages over a 10-year program timeline. The total cost of this effort was determined to be \$120 million. The minor and major pavement section upgrades require further data collection and engineering before bid packages can be prepared and advertised for construction. Funding of \$1 million is needed for comprehensive pavement management services to initiate contracts for the engineering services to deliver annual pavement management bid packages.

In concert with our consulting team, staff have evaluated financing measures, including lease revenue bond funds for upfront cash flow, to fund this 10-year program of increased pavement management effort. Bonding

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allows the City to bring forward revenues to increase investment in our streets now before they deteriorate further. Bonding then spreads out the cost of this effort over additional years in order to preserve the City Council's flexibility to fund additional Measure P priorities during the early years of the Measure P program.

Council's authorization of this item will allow staff to 1) proceed to the second step of the two-part budget amendment process required to appropriate \$3.5 million of Measure P revenues to the Capital Improvement Program expenditure budget, and 2) allow staff to initiate a bond application process to issue \$120 million of revenue bonds.

City Charter Section 703 permits the transfer of unappropriated funds by the City Council upon one week's written notice of its intention to do so. Staff will return to Council at a future meeting for the second step of the budget amendment process.

The results of the initial bond application process will come back to City Council at a later date for presentation of the final business terms of the initial bond offering and request for Council approval to issue the bonds.

Next Steps:

Once an initial pavement budget is appropriated, staff will prepare a bid package for the Stage 1 Slurry Seal Project, refine the cost estimate, advertise, bid, and contract for construction within Fiscal Year 2023/2024 with the goal of delivering the project during Summer/Fall 2024. This package focuses on residential streets in four (4) neighborhoods of Vallejo. This project will not trigger ADA curb ramp compliance and will be scaled to not exceed \$2 million.

The team will begin work on preparing the bid package to bring 100 or more curb ramps into compliance with ADA requirements with the goal of construction commencing in the spring of 2025. The project will be scaled to not exceed \$500,000.

Public Works will issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Pavement Management Planning and Engineering Services. The consultant team hired will be tasked with managing the analysis of Vallejo's street network using all existing data plus direct investigation of our streets to inform development of multiple phased annual bid packages for the resurfacing and reconstruction of Vallejo's failing street network. The initial design and project management consultant contract will be for up to \$1 million funded from the Measure P funds appropriated by the City Council.

A long-term maintenance and rehabilitation program is being prepared to include a nine-year delivery program of \$120 million in pavement improvements based on the following approach:

1. Applying the right treatment at the right time
2. Selecting cost-effective treatments to provide the best pavement for the lowest long-term costs

Detailed financing plans for the 9-year delivery program will utilize the \$120 million lease revenue bond funds. The program is anticipated to include three bond distribution tranches, each funding 3-year cycles of annual bid packages that will be divided based on having the largest betterment for the traveling public. The

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distribution of paving improvements would consider pavement condition, Functional Classification (FC) of the street, and traffic impacts during construction. Preparation of the bid packages will require additional roadway condition data collection, traffic data, engineering layouts and cost estimates. These bid packages will include associated ADA improvements.

Dependent on the City Council's approval of funding and begin the bond application process, key milestones will be as follows:

<u>Milestones</u>	<u>Delivery Date</u>
Stage 1 Slurry Seal Package (The project is currently at 40% design completion)	Contract award by August 2024, construction complete by November 2024
Financing Plan	March 2024
RFQ for Pavement Management Services	June 2024
Return to Council for Bond Authorization	April 2024
9-Year Maintenance and Rehab Plan	January 2025
\$40M Tranche 1: \$13.3M Cycle 1 \$13.3M Cycle 2 \$13.3M Cycle 3	FY 2024/2025 FY 2026/2027 FY 2027/2028
\$40M Tranches 2 and 3	TBD

FISCAL IMPACT

This item does not have any fiscal impact. A future recommended action to amend the FY 2023-24 Capital Improvement Project budget will include the anticipated increase of \$3.5 million of expenditure budget. More details will be provided when staff returns to Council at a later date.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

ATTACHMENTS

None

CONTACT

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melissa.tigbao@cityofvallejo.net

Date: February 20, 2024

Subject: PROVIDE NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET BY APPROPRIATING \$3.5 MILLION OF MEASURE P FUNDING TO CONTINUE PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN EFFORTS; AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO INITIATE THE BOND APPLICATION PROCESS TO ISSUE \$120 MILLION DOLLARS OF REVENUE BONDS IN THE MUNICIPAL BOND MARKET TO FUND A NINE-YEAR CITYWIDE PAVING PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2025-2026 THROUGH 2033-2034

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DATE: March 26, 2024
TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM: Terrance Davis, Assistant City Manager
Melissa Tigbao, Public Works Director
SUBJECT: **RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE DESIGN OF A NEW POLICE HEADQUARTERS FACILITY TO BE LOCATED AT 111 AMADOR AND NOTICE OF INTENT (STEP 1 OF 2) TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,998,200 TO COMPLETE PHASE B OF THE POLICE HEADQUARTERS DESIGN**

RECOMMENDATION

1. Receive an update on Vallejo Police headquarters feasibility analysis and provide staff with additional direction; and
2. Give notice to amend FY 2023-24 Capital Improvement Program Budget (project #PW9818) in the amount of \$1,998,200 to advance the design of the new police station and utilize Measure P funding.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The City Council has directed staff and appropriated the first phase of funding necessary to begin the design of a new police facility located at 111 Amador Street. Additional funding and direction are required to proceed with the project.

Amending the budget requires a public notice of intent under the City's Charter Section 703 prior to any action taken. If an amendment is desired, a staff report and recommendation to amend the budget will be presented to City Council at the next regularly-scheduled City Council meeting.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The current Vallejo Police Department Building at 111 Amador has been deteriorating for many years. Originally constructed in 1961 as a part of a municipal services complex that includes the City's Corporation Yard, the existing 19,300 square foot building was built when Vallejo's population was 60,000. The current building is undersized and in poor condition due to its age and significant deferred maintenance. The building has outdated HVAC systems, along with lead and asbestos issues that require continual monitoring and ongoing costs. Further, the building lacks adequate backup power generation and has recently lost power for extended periods of time, impacting the efficiency of operations.

Following a community engagement process and the completion of feasibility assessments of alternate locations, on April 11, 2023, the City Council gave staff unanimous direction to pursue the design and construction of a replacement headquarters located at 111 Amador Street. Future police facilities and personnel needs are based on population estimates for 2040, which projects 139,000 residents. Thus, the footprint required at the Amador site to support the future needs of the Vallejo Police Department for the next 30 years requires the relocation of the existing City Corporation Yard to make adequate space available,

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which increases project scope and cost. At the time of City Council approval, the projected cost to construct both the police facility and relocate the Corporation Yard was \$121 million. Note, the design of an alternate Corp Yard site is not included in the current project scope and remains unfunded, at present.

Project Scope

In 2020, the City issued a Request for Proposals for architectural design services to complete a police station project. The firm Indigo Hammond + Playle, LLP was selected through this competitive process. Given the firm's familiarity with Vallejo and understanding of the design needs, staff amended the existing professional services agreement to include a new scope for the Amador design.

The design of the Amador project is divided into three parts. The initial Phase A (preliminary design) was to perform all work necessary to achieve a 35% level of design completion. The second Phase B is for the development of all the remaining construction documents through permitting, which is equivalent to 65% and 95% design completion. The final Phase C is for bidding and construction completion.

The total design cost for the project is estimated at \$4,643,300, separated into the following costs per phase:

- Phase A: \$1,653,300
- Phase B: \$1,998,200
- Phase C: \$991,800

Attachment I provides the details of the contract and scope of work.

Current Design Status

The conceptual design (Phase A) began in August 2023 and has been completed. Environmental review of the site, along with an assessment of utility, topography, and other site conditions were completed. During the environmental review, the presence of former underground storage tanks was discovered, which will require soil management during the construction phase.

The overall design calls for a new 3-story, 67,925 square foot Vallejo Community Safety Center. The architectural design for the new Community Safety Center transcends bricks and mortar, aiming to become a symbol of unity, transparency, and accessibility within the Vallejo community.

The design meets California Essential Services Building standards to accommodate all critical police services like 911 Dispatch, an Emergency Operations Center (doubling as a Community Meeting Room), and dedicated Community Engagement space. This site will have 146 parking spaces and include a Public Plaza will be built, along with utilities, paving, and landscaping across 3.1 acres of the site. The Public Plaza is designed to provide the community with new opportunities for social interaction and special events and create a space for civic engagement.

Finally, to save costs, the design takes advantage of existing Corporation Yard buildings and fleet maintenance facilities. The main Corp Yard building would be converted to police operations, and the 3 pump fuel station would remain in service.

Attachment II includes the full Phase A schematic design.

Project Timelines and Cost Estimates

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Phase B of the design is anticipated to take 5–6 months to complete, with the total project duration estimated at 43 months. At the conclusion of Phase A of the design, the following construction costs have been estimated (further itemized in Attachment III):

Description	Cost Estimate
Total Direct Construction Cost	\$58.6 Million
General Contractor Markup	\$9.6 Million
Total Construction w/ Markup	\$68.2 Million
Escalation & Design Contingency	\$22.3 Million
Bid Day Cost (\$1,019/ SF)	\$90.5 Million
Construction Contingency	\$9.1 Million
Cost at End of Construction	\$99.6 Million

FISCAL IMPACT

As detailed above, there have been ongoing costs related to site acquisition, feasibility assessments, and architectural design services for a new police building since 2018.

The following summarizes Project expenditures:

- Larchmont Public Safety Assessment - \$90,000
- Acquisition of 400 Mare Island Way - \$13,400,000
- Glass Feasibility Assessment of 400 Mare Island Way - \$60,000
- Glass Feasibility Assessment of JFK - \$10,000
- 400 Mare Island Way Phase I Architectural Design (35%) – \$ \$899,400
- JFK and 400 Mare Island Way Detailed Feasibility - \$150,000
- 111 Amador Phase A (35%) Design (2023) - \$1,653,300

Staff is providing a notice of intent to amend the FY 2023-24 Capital Improvement Budget in the amount of \$1,998,200 to advance Phase B of the design. Currently, the only identified funding force for this project is Measure P.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This project is in the design phase. Therefore, this action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

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Date: March 26, 2024

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1.	Attachment I (Design Contract)
2.	Attachment II (Schematic Design Plans)
3.	Attachment III (Cost Estimate)

CONTACT

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Measure P Oversight Committee
Questions on Proposed FY24-25 Measure P Funded Projects
from 3/21/24 Meeting

Illegal Dumping

1. Is there a plan specifying what parts of the city and locations will be addressed?

The plan is to address “hot spot” areas. The locations would change as needed, but currently include:

- Waterfront
 - Admiral Callaghan Lane
 - Fairgrounds Drive
 - 14th Street
 - Columbus Parkway from Ascot Drive to Benicia Rd.
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2. I request details about who, what will change if the funding is approved by council, when, how, and where. **We would put together an RFP and evaluate the respondents.**
 3. It does not appear that there have been discussions with community partners or private vendors. Is that correct? **That is correct, this would first be put out to bid.**
 4. If we approved a small trial project, what would that look like? **Once a vendor/ group is picked we would establish a list of locations and monitor the progress.**
 5. What else can be done besides a contract that focuses on employing unhoused people to help with litter? **We are not recommending employing unhoused people.**
 6. Does Recology have recommendations? **Our contract with Recology does not include litter pick up.**

Graffiti

1. What will be the capacity at which the graffiti removal equipment/truck will be deployed? **In 2023, Public Works opened and completed 200 work orders for graffiti removal.**
2. How many hours per day and per week? **Staff was deployed an average of three times per week.**
3. How long does it take to remove graffiti of various sizes? **Length of time depends on size / type of graffiti (paint type, ease or difficulty to access location) and most effective method to remove it.**
4. How effective will the use of this truck be? **The proposal was revised since first presented to the MPOC; a new truck will no longer be purchased, instead two new heated pressure washers and a towable compressor sandblaster will be procured. The existing power washer is no longer working so the new equipment will be 100% more effective.**

Streetlights

1. How many metal lockable lids would be purchased? **\$50k will pay for 166 metal lids with locks.**
2. How many lights at which locations will have stolen wires replaced? **We currently have approximately 150 streetlights not functioning due to stolen wire at ten different locations.**

3. Where will the new solar lights be located? First installations would be along waterfront. Other locations would be added when it is determined solar would be more beneficial.

Cardiac Monitors

1. How much did the current defibrillators cost/ unit (including any warranty)?
 - a. \$259,975 for the purchase of 10 in 2017
 - b. 4-year service agreement - \$57,120 each year - \$228,480 4-year total
 - c. Yearly maintenance contract of \$15,500 each year.
2. Are salary savings available to purchase new cardiac monitors? Finance Director will provide response upon her return.

DOJ Compliance Costs

1. Is there any evidence that police reform costs fall within crime prevention? Overall, the requirements of the VPD police reform efforts improve police outcomes, reduce UOF incidents, and development progressive police policies and practices. All of those things contribute the police department's ability to effective, and in turn prevent and reduce crime (PIE = Prevention, Intervention, Enforcement). Most directly to this question, withing the proposed police reforms there are requirements that VPD improve our community engagement procedures as well as develop a comprehensive crime prevention strategy and measures related to how we deploy our officers in the streets (*Recommendations 7 & 8 for reference*). This allocated training money would be in furtherance of all those efforts as well as the many other stipulations for compliance.
2. I request that VPD staff propose a crime prevention plan and funding for our city. Measure P pledged funding for crime prevention.

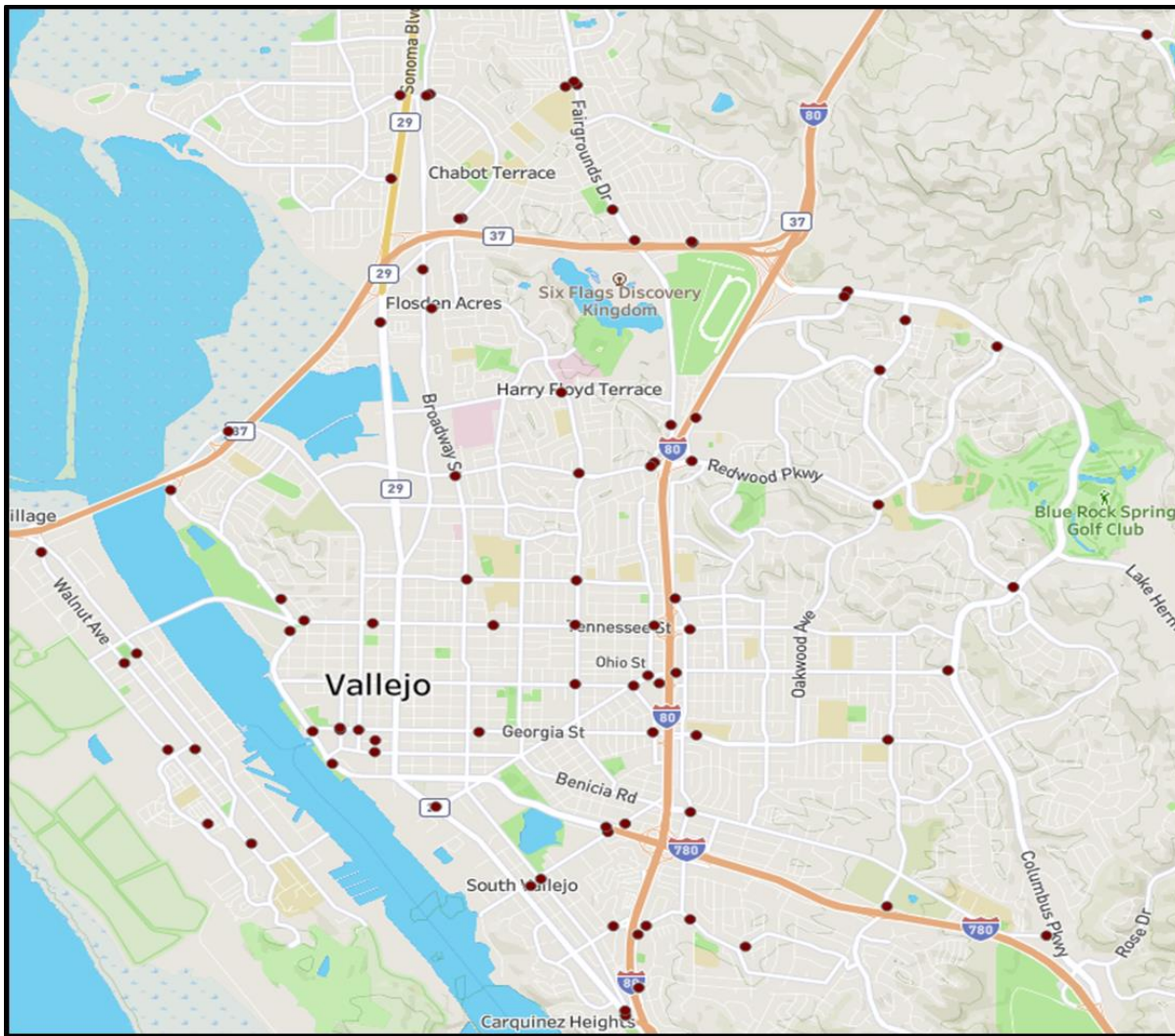
An alternative request to the Crime Prevention category AND/OR to be considered for a future Measure P crime prevention project is the Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) contract renewal with FLOCK Safety. The 5-year contract totals \$298,500 per year- \$1,492,500 for full contract term. There is currently no funding source for this expense.

- The Vallejo Police Department first partnered with Flock in the July of 2020
- VPD began with 10 Automatic License Plate Readers (ALPR)
- As of November 2023, VPD has 94 license plate readers, 86 are currently active
- Prior to Flock technology, VPD utilized license plate readers through Neology/PIPS
- License plate readers through Neology/PIPS have since been phased out, and no future maintenance is planned. Flock is the primary ALPR vendor

What is Flock ALPR used for?

Crime investigation, suspect vehicle identification, alerts for wanted vehicles

Current ALPR locations:



Security

1. Where, when, what will the scope of work be, and who for private security? **The scope of work is TBD. As discussed in the committee presentation, the security model that the City chooses has not been determined. There are a lot of options that need to be weighed with a cost vs. benefit analysis.**
2. It was mentioned that there would be dialogue with the community about private security. What would that look like? **Seeking community feedback on the proposals made via the RFP process is not required but could be recommended by the Measure P Committee. This could be accomplished via town hall meetings or online feedback (www.myvallejo.com). There are pro's & con's to either of these options.**
3. Would there be consideration of private security in residential areas hit hardest by crime? **The location(s) where private security would be deployed, and in what capacity, are currently not set. The amount of funding approved could directly affect those options.**
4. Would business areas other than the downtown be considered? **The location(s) where private security would be deployed, and in what capacity, are currently not set. If funding for this was approved, and depending on how much, could directly affect those options.**

Extreme Weather Centers

1. Do those serving the unhoused here believe that extreme weather centers are the highest priority for Measure P funds? There has currently not been a formal community input regarding the use of these funds. There have been informal conversations and requests from the community and various non-profits supporting and requesting additional funding for extreme weather centers and the Navigation Center.
2. What other possibilities were considered for use of Measure P funds to assist the unhoused? Why were none of them recommended? City staff presented to Council an update on homelessness and potential projects to be pursued to address the unhoused in Vallejo. These projects were all looked at from a high level overview, but need more detailed input from the community, the unhoused population and Council and more in-depth review from staff before those projects will be ready to move forward.
3. What steps would be taken to induce the unhoused to use the centers, if there is funding for centers? The City currently relies on non-profits to share the information to those experiencing homelessness, social media, and contacting those who have used the warming center (and provided us with contact information) to share that the openings are happening. We would look to expand the outreach and utilize the nonprofit operating the centers to get out to those experiencing homelessness to let them know of the service.

Youth

1. What community groups (including GVRD, schools, and nonprofits) participated in developing the youth services recommendations?

Since I started this job in 2022, I have discussed Youth needs through out the community and with many youth stakeholders. In terms of some of the Measure P asks, youth council and Youth Community Grants, I have met with groups such as GVRD and VCUSD, as well as discussed with non-profits such as Boys and Girls Empowerment Group and Watch Me Grow. I have spoken to groups within Vallejo High, Elite, Steffan Manor, MIT/ Griffin, and more. I table regularly at schools and community events to engage with students, staff, and families around the needs of Vallejo Youth and projects we are hoping to push forward as a City. The recommendations came from an analysis of our community's needs, taking into consideration the staff capacity to work on these projects, as well as the need to create systems that support youth voice and feeds money back into the community. Youth voices should be at the forefront of decision-making regarding youth and our former Youth Commission was decommissioned. We have spoken with youth groups such as our VCUSD/COV Youth Delegates, Urban Strategies Council.

From: [Brien Farrell](#)
To: [Terrance Davis](#); [Randy J. Risner](#); [Debbie Martir](#); [Jasmine Salmeron](#); [Mina Diaz](#); [Mike Malone](#)
Subject: Request for Staff/ 3/21 MPOC Meeting
Date: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 1:01:08 PM

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Below are notes relating to additional information that the chair and vice-chair request be provided so that the MPOC can make informed recommendations. Other MPOC and community members may request further background. Thank you for arranging for staff with specialized knowledge to be present. Advance sharing of documents is invaluable.

10.E.1.- 10.E.9.

We request that an introductory slide summarize how much Measure P revenue has been received and spent or allocated thus far and the estimated Measure P revenue that will be available on July 1, 2024, and the total amount that staff is recommending be used. . In addition, the public and MPOC should be told the approximate Measure P revenue received each month. I assume there's more sales tax during the Christmas season. An average will suffice. We understand that the actual amount will vary but we would like to know the monthly average since the new funds began to arrive.

We recommend that each proposed use of Measure P funds identify the council priority to which it is connected. For example, I understand that staff believes that the DOJ compliance costs are related to crime prevention.

If staff is recommending that not all Measure P funding received before the 24-25 fiscal year begins, we would like to know why. The community expects Measure P funds to be used prudently and promptly. We have many unmet needs.

10.E.1. The community and the chair and vice-chair would like to know more information about the proposed use of private security. Where, when, what will the scope of work be, and who? (Santa Monica had a falling out with perhaps the largest private security firm serving cities over homophobic public statements of the co- founder of the security firm.)

Is there a model that has been studied? We would like details.If security is contemplated for downtown will business owners be involved in designing the plan and selecting the contractor? Armed or unarmed?

10.E.2.

Extreme Weather Centers

The chair and vice-chair would like to know whether staff developed this recommendation through consultation with Vallejo Together, Faith, Food, Friday and others who possess experience and expertise serving the unhoused. Do those serving the unhoused here believe that extreme weather centers are the highest priority for Measure P funds?

How was the decision made to use \$500,000 for an extreme weather center and \$1.1M for the Navigation Center (instead of more revenue) out of the approximately \$18M/ year in Measure P funds for the unhoused? What other possibilities were considered?

How many would be served in an average year at an extreme weather center? How many were served this year?

What are the weather criteria?

What steps would be taken to induce the unhoused to use the centers?

10.E.3.

What other efforts are underway to find the balance of the Navigation Center costs? Are there county, state, or federal funds available?

How will the Navigation Center be funded once it is complete? For example, staffing, maintenance, reserves for repairs, and all other expenses.

10.E.4.

You heard one or more members of the MPOC express doubts that the cost of attendance at a national conference would be recommended by the MPOC. Community members have asked whether youth services should prioritize our many unhoused youth, those in or at risk of entering the criminal justice system, those not attending school, and those with special needs.

What community groups (including GVRD, schools, and nonprofits) participated in developing the youth services recommendations?

Defibrillators

The MPOC would like to know the cost per unit, the number requested, more information about the date of purchase and repair or other issues relating to the current units, the manufacturer's estimate of the useful life of current and recommended units, and how the VFD budgeted in past years for the foreseeable replacement of its defibrillators.

DOJ Compliance Costs/ Crime Prevention

The DOJ's complaint against the VPD declares that the DOJ has determined that there has been a long history of unconstitutional policing, excessive force, and racial misconduct by the VPD. The purpose of the Stipulated Judgment is to reduce unlawful misconduct by the VPD; it is not intended to reduce crime in Vallejo. We clearly need crime prevention services.

Please explain how use of Measure P funds for DOJ compliance comes within the council crime prevention priority. A super- majority of the council can modify the priorities.

Graffiti abatement and illegal dumping

The chair and vice-chair request details about who, what will change if the funding is approved by council, when, how, and where. Are there community partners or private vendors?

Abandoned Vehicles

You will be asked, we anticipate, for your recommendations in order to make progress in removing abandoned vehicles, which contribute substantially to blight.

Brien and Jasmine

From: [Jasmine Salmeron](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#)
Subject: Youth Priorities - Suggestion for Victoria
Date: Sunday, March 24, 2024 11:12:53 PM

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Hi Debbie,

Can you please pass this on to Victoria?

I think it would be very helpful if the youth proposals could be broken up into different projects that the MPOC can vote on. Personally, I think the Youth Council is too limited. I would not vote to approve during the first budget cycle although I would fully support it in the future. I realize that the vote impacts the rest of the projects in the current proposal, so I am asking that the projects be separated for voting purposes.

Many families, even those who do not qualify as "low income", have a hard time paying for summer and spring break activities. I have been a single mother in Vallejo for 16 years and I know the struggles firsthand. Aside from that, I was an at-risk youth in the VCUSD and I remember feeling so hopeless. One day, my accounting teacher, Ms. Jacobson, pulled me out of class to tell me that I would make a great Accountant and I could save the City of Vallejo one day. That one moment changed the trajectory of my entire life! I became an accountant and now I have the honor of being Chair of the MPOC. I cry every time I look back and think of how Ms. Jacobson saved my life. I was such a lost kid; I would never have applied to be a part of the Youth Council. The impacts were made at locations I regularly attended, which were school, sports and other free activities.

For the 24-25 budget, I suggest a grant that pays for youth to attend classes (GVRD/or other) starting this summer through spring break 2025. I am particularly interested in free activities/services or income earning opportunities we can provide to unhoused, foster, special needs, low-income and those who have been in juvenile detention centers or probation.

I would vote to approve a proposal that immediately serves more children across the city.

Regards,

Jasmine Salmeron

From: [Anna Bergman](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#)
Subject: Please pass to youth ccordinator
Date: Saturday, March 23, 2024 8:41:54 PM

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Dear Victoria

Thank you for the informative presentation. I can see now how the Youth Council functions to mentor high school students which is wonderful. Teenagers can learn and feel supported by young adults in a way that is hugely beneficial. A yearly conference is different than "taking trips" and I'm glad to have that clarification. For me repairing infrastructure should come first but I hope at the town hall it made sense that I feel that way because kids get in car accidents and ride their bikes crazy so fixing roads and repairing streetlights is for them.

The principle of injury prevention is that no one likes being told what to do so we try and find ways to make environments safer. When I am driving and can barely see a skateboarder I want more streetlights because there is nothing I can do to get them to wear reflective gear. I can't make youth wear bike helmets but I want to try and make the roads safer so there is less chance of them having a traumatic brain injury. Whichever way it happens I know all of us want the best for Vallejo youth and we will get there.

Is it possible for the firefighters academy to be a separate proposal from the Youth Council? They are different projects that need their own discussion. I also plan to suggest holding a youth town hall and doing surveys before the next funding cycle.

Thanks for your consideration and hard work.

best

Anna Bergman

From: [KANAT TIBET](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#)
Subject: Additional Information requested from staff
Date: Monday, March 25, 2024 8:46:35 AM

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Good morning Debbie,

I hope this message finds you well.

Per our commission meeting from last week and the upcoming voting on Wednesday for recommendations to the council on the 9 items to be funded, I would love to see some detailed information to be able to make an informed decision.

On item 3, how many metal lockable lids would be purchased, how many lights at which locations will have stolen wires replaced, and where the new solar lights will be located.

On item 2, what will be the capacity at which the graffiti removal equipment/truck will be deployed? How many hours per day and per week? How long does it take to remove graffiti of various sizes? How effective will the use of this truck be?

On item 1, is there a plan specifying what parts of the city and locations will be addressed?

Thank you!

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Measure P Oversight Committee

Summary of Public Comments

January 25, 2024 - March 27, 2024

Meeting Date	Member of Public*	Comment**
1/25/2024	Jose "Joey" Carrizales	Asks committee to stay within the parameters of the priorities of the Measure P resolution. Hoping committee will shy away from potholes. Thinks survey conducted by City Manager's office was too narrow and not inclusive. Police Department has not earned the right to have a bunch of toys. Non-profit out of Benicia provides showers and hopes MPOC can fund that organization instead of building new showers. MPOC should support existing outreach team. Asks MPOC to partner with Housing and Development Commission to address the harm reduction issues.
2/15/2024	Philip Balbuena	Does Measure P funds replace funds that would ordinarily be funded by General Fund. Will projects be done equally throughout the city?
3/7/2024	Monica Brown, County Board of Supervisor	Regional bond for housing potentially on ballot in November. County is working on Benicia Rd and doesn't need City assistance. County is aware of safety and economic development issues; it should look to partner with County on funding strategies. Consider risks associated with Navigation Center in future.
3/7/2024	Philip Balbuena	Appreciates Council Members coming to hear public comments. Thinks presentation is generic. Independent Auditor should be auditing the proposed projects.
3/7/2024	Anne Carr	Proposals are generic. Proposal is spread too thin and not focused on priorities of citizens. Personal priorities Unhoused, public safety, derelict cars. Opposes Graffiti truck, solar lights, defibrillators.
3/7/2024	Anonymous	Suggests crime prevention through design, (i.e. landscaping, lighting, traffic circles, speed bumps.) Encourages people to walk through neighborhoods safely. Safety thought economic development modeled in other cities. Solutions should be throughout city, (i.e. Kings Market, Springs Road and Downtown)
3/7/2024	Jameelah Hanif	Will encourage community participation, especially with youth to next workshop. Asks to prioritize youth and allocate more funding for future leaders of Vallejo.
3/7/2024	Tom Carey	PowerPoint is vague, not enough detail to do anything. Wants City Manager's office to engage about proposal. Downtown District 4, poor lighting at Ferry Building, encampments at Waterfront, crime in the neighborhood. Citizens want to be heard and represented by Measure P Oversight Committee instead of accepting City Manager's plans.
3/7/2024	Ron Salmeron	Requests Basketball Courts in downtown Vallejo. Two courts, one full size court and one court for smaller children.
3/7/2024	Anonymous	Defibrillator are not a priority. Maintaining fire protection should be taken out of their budget. Request that proposals be presented in simple language for citizens to understand. Opposes the VPD reform training, graffiti truck. Would like to hear concrete ideas.
3/7/2024	Mina Diaz	Thanks commission for advocating for public workshop and giving the public an opportunity to share their concerns and recommendations.
3/7/2024	Liat Meitzenheimer	There is no background information to support the projects. Can't have a one size fits all approach to youth. Wants more information on why only \$400k is allocated and wants the community to give input on the services that are actually needed.

Measure P Oversight Committee

Summary of Public Comments

January 25, 2024 - March 27, 2024

3/7/2024	Gin Gill	Homelessness plagues city and residential areas. Reinvest in what we have instead of recreating the wheel on new projects. Reinvest in youth and supports youth development. Stop contracting outside, create pathways for employment in Vallejo. Liquor store fronts need to be revitalized to prevent crime, specifically at King's Market. North Vallejo is unsafe and tax payers should be heard when they raise issues about drugs, crime and blight.
3/7/2024	Philip Balbuena	Recommends having an independent auditor that is not auditing other city financials
3/7/2024	Monica Brown, County Board of Supervisor	Suggests each priority has it's own resolution and staff report.
3/21/2024	Jose "Joey" Carrizales	Typically 25 people at warming center per night, must exit at 6am in the morning which is too early. Goodies, warm food, feminine products, shoes are all donated by the community. Vallejo room is a great location for weather centers because there is security and bus. Asking committee to allocate more funds to Navigation Center to help operations continue after 3 years. Unhoused people also pay into Measure P taxes and need to have a voice in this as well.
3/21/2024	Ann Carr	Suggests tiny homes for the unhoused, backfilling police offices. Questions cost of defibrillators used by Fire Department.
3/27/2024	Ann Carr	Questions cost of street light repairs and if additional costs are part of the public works budget. Questions total budget of police reform relative to the request for \$500k in training.
3/27/2024	Ann Carr	Concerned about participation rate of extreme weather centers, cost per person is not a good use of resources. Suggest a year round drop in shelter to extend reach and more effective for the unhoused
3/27/2024	Ivan	Joined Firefighter Academy when they were 13 and is now an EMT at Medic- Ambulance in Vallejo. Heavily involved in the community, teaches fire safety at schools and festivals. This program provides a productive path for youth.
3/27/2024	Astrid Morales	Started when was 13. Academy teaches life saving skills and helps develop leadership skills to youth.
3/27/2024	Genesis	Started Academy in 8th grade and was interested after a presentation in science class. Gave them something to do on the weekends outside of sports and a path to follow; something to look forward to.

* Names are documented based on oral self introductions during public comment. Speaker cards are not routinely used.

** Comments are paraphrased in lieu of transcription. Errors are not intentional and corrections can be set to MPOC liaison.

Suggestions from Anne Carr, 3/20/24

- 1) If staff cannot provide basis/documents for their estimates, do not fund.
- 2) This is not the time for staff to go shopping for goodies, e.g., graffiti steam clean truck, upgraded lights, debribrillators at 2-4x any reasonable volume.
- 3) Suggestion for Measure P team: What would ***you*** like to see done/funded in the city?
- 4) Top line suggestions: 1) funding to remove derelict cars, and 2) funding for Conestoga Hut pilot program for homeless.

Project: ~~Illegal Dumping/Litter Abatement - \$500,000~~ **Get estimate for removing derelict cars.**

Council Priority: Address ~~Dumping~~ **Derelict cars**

Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of ~~\$500,000~~ for ~~illegal dumping/litter abatement efforts.~~ **Removing derelict cars; request cost options for removing derelict cars.**

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AGENDA

MEASURE P OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE March 21, 2024

2. Project: ~~Graffiti Removal Equipment - \$150,000~~

Council Priority: Blight/Keeping Public Spaces Clean

Recommendation: ~~By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of \$150,000 for graffiti removal equipment.~~
Deny request, frivolous, better suited to painting by youth.

3. Project: ~~Streetlight Repair/Expansion - \$500,000~~

Council Priority: Blight/Keeping Public Spaces Safe

Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of ~~\$500,000~~ for streetlight repair/expansion efforts. **Request cost to replace existing bulbs and do only needed repairs, not upgrades. Do not fund without back-up materials**

4. Project: ~~Cardiac Monitors (Defibrillators) - \$500,000~~

Council Priority: ~~Emergency Services Response~~

~~Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of \$500,000 for cardiac monitors (defibrillators).~~

1) If needed, this should come out of fire dept's operation budget

2) Cost per defibrillator is ~\$2k each. For 108 employees of the fire department, if everyone had one that still would not be \$500k. There are only 7 open fire stations in the City. How many trucks per station? Staff needs to provide real numbers and real estimates. See General Plan, page 59, Map CP-1.

3) Any time there is a medical emergency, ambulances attend the situation, so this is redundant equipment. Further, ~80% of all emergency calls require an ambulance.

~~5. Project: Dept. of Justice Policy and Practices Reform Efforts - \$500,000~~
Council Priority – Crime Prevention

~~Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of \$500,000 for Dept. of Justice Policy and Practices Reform efforts.~~

The police department has resisted and even defied the efforts to reform. Until we see progress by the police in adopting reform, I would not fund this out of Measure P. Once, and IF the police start becoming more reform-oriented, this funding request could be reconsidered.

Actions have consequences.

6. Project: Increased Security Services - \$1,500,000

Council Priority – Crime Prevention

Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of \$1,500,000 for security services.

High crime areas need security services, and the wait for new officers or help from the sheriff or CHP is not something that will happen soon enough or provide enough help.

~~7. Project: Extreme Weather Centers - \$500,000~~

Council Priority: Homelessness

~~Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of \$500,000 for extreme weather centers.~~

Congregate shelters do not get people out of tents and tarps. Plus, we're nearing end of winter. Better to apply this amount to a tiny shed effort.

8. Project: ~~Navigation Center~~—\$1.1M Tiny shed/Conestoga Hut Pilot program.

Council Priority: Homelessness

Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of \$1.6M for the ~~Navigation Center~~. **For pilot program of using Conestoga Huts for homeless support, with wrap-around services. Anticipated costs: For ~40 huts, \$3500/Conestoga Hut, \$3500 per hut foundation/electrical, \$20,000/person for wrap-around services/year, \$520k for purchase or lease of land and allowing for compound common areas: porta potties, porta- showers, eating area.**

Conestoga Huts

<https://www.communitysupportedshelters.org/conestoga-huts>

Costs for wrap-around services for homeless support. Slides 21 & 22

file:///Users/virginiagrayson/Downloads/Presentations-6.pdf

9. Project: Youth Programs - \$400,000

Council Priority: Youth Priorities

Recommendation: By motion, agree to support staff's request to City Council for Measure P funding allocation of \$400,000 for youth programs.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

A. Continued discussion and development of Committee Work Plan, including:

1. Expected timelines
2. Deliverables

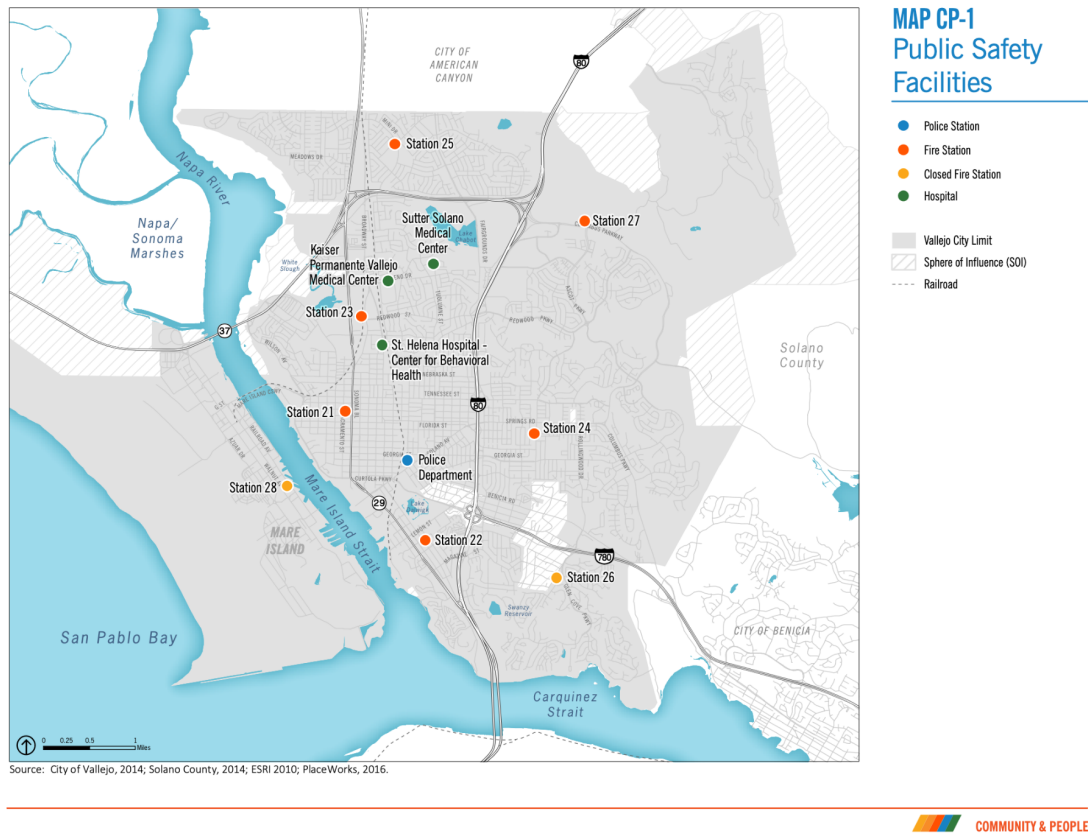


Image from General Plan 2040, p 59, Fire Stations in Vallejo. Station in Glen Cove now open, total of 7 open stations.

Conestoga Huts cost \$3500/unit, an estimated \$3500 for a foundation for it.



Tiny Homes/Pallet Shelter

- **Overview:** Temporary units that offer basic shelter protection while individuals are transitioning to stable housing. Designed for short-term use.
- **Services:** Case management, counseling, referrals, meals, and security 24/7.
- **Outcomes:** Not yet published.
- **Cost Range:**
 - Shelter units cost approx. \$13-30K
 - Operations: Depends on services provided

For estimate on wrap-around services, used staff estimate of \$20,000/bed.



Family Navigation Center

- **Overview:** A shelter with wrap-around services that would cater to families with children.
- **Services:** Case management, food, shelter.
- **Outcomes:** 33%-40% housed
- **Operation Cost Range:** ~\$2.5 million per year for 125 beds (~\$20K per bed per year)

From: [L. Alexander Matias](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#)
Subject: Email to MPOC Commissioners
Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2024 4:43:54 PM

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Hi Debbie,

Can you forward the note below to MPOC Commissioners?

Thanks,

Alex

L. Alexander Matias, MPA
Chairman, Economic Vitality Commission, City of Vallejo
Chairman, Code Enforcement Appeals Board, City of Vallejo
President, Vallejo Main Street

MPOC Commissioners,

I hope this email finds you well. I have had the opportunity to attend a few of the MPOC meetings and have deep appreciation for your work thus far. As you zero in on a vote this evening, I would like to underscore one point I've shared during public comment in past meetings. It is critically important for the city to make investments in crime prevention through environmental design strategies. This could be a part of your written report but some ideas include community gatherings (i.e. performances), art murals, alley reactivations, street lighting, and roundabouts/traffic circles for traffic calming/safety purposes. What this also means is that we shouldn't be spending money on graffiti abatement expenditures (which is already funded by Measure B) because this is a reactive expense and not preventive or systemic in nature. We've allocated money for several years and that has not adequately addressed graffiti. Lastly, thank you for your diligence and recommendations recently to address pavement conditions in our city.

Respectfully,

Alex

L. Alexander Matias, MPA
Chairman, Economic Vitality Commission, City of Vallejo
Chairman, Code Enforcement Appeals Board, City of Vallejo

From: [Anne Carr](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#)
Subject: Fw: MPOC - 3/7 Public Workshop - Flyer, Agenda and Presentation; FEEDBACK ON STAFF PROPOSALS
Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2024 8:59:29 PM
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Hi Debbie,

Brien Farrell tells me you're the person to send feedback about the city proposals for Measure P.

Here are my ideas:

My general response is that if we slice the pie into too many pieces, nothing gets done.

My preference would be to focus on the biggest need projects we have. I also have a strong aversion to departments going goodie-shopping, e.g., \$250k for a power washing truck, \$500k for defibrillators. Even street light repair should be handled within regular budgets, and frankly, now is not the time to upgrade those fixtures. I'd want to see what simple light bulb replacement looks like.

I think our biggest needs are as follows:

- * the unsheltered unhoused, i.e., those living in encampments
- * public safety & lack thereof
- * illegal dumping & derelict cars

Regarding the suggested allocations, my feedback:

- * Public spaces, light bulb replacement \$200k
(a power washing truck is a luxury, and ambulances have defibrillators)
 - * Crime Prevention \$750k
(training can come out of police budget. Leave the amount for security, and some amount for reform).
 - * Homelessness \$1.6M
* 6 villages of 20 Conestoga huts each, 1 per district,
\$220k to build and operate/year, Eugene model \$1,320,000
* Additional funds for safe tent camping \$280,000
--Warming shelter does not cost \$500k! There is little traction among the unhoused for congregate shelter
--Nav Ctrs cost must more, plus are congregate, which are less effective in getting people out of encampments
 - * Illegal Dumping & derelict car removal \$600k
 - * Youth programs \$100k
Fund for 1 year, need broader reach & less costly program, e.g., travel to conference in GA for ~12 kids.
- Totals: \$3,250,000
- * Notes: Mina Diaz really wants safe RV parking, which could run \$370k-\$1.2M year according to staff.

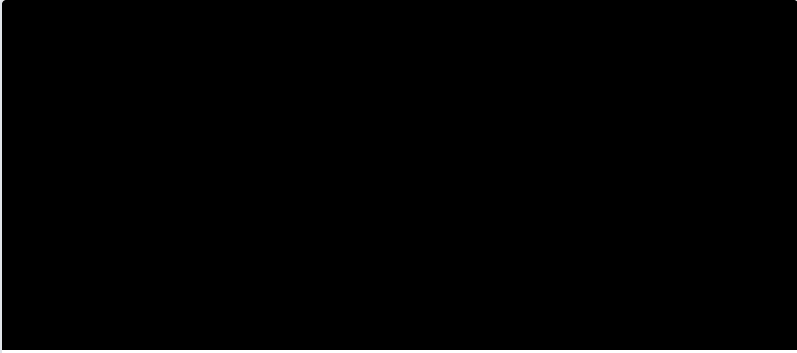
* Mina will also want more for Youth Programs, but last year, their big effort was to send a small group to GA for a conference.

References:

* Feb 20 Special City Council meeting, staff presentation on costs for various homeless efforts
<https://vallejoca.portal.civicclerk.com/event/2787/files/agenda/5356>

* Eugene, OR extensive use of Conestoga huts
<https://www.eugene-or.gov/4701/Safe-Sleep-Sites>

[Homeless Shelter Consulting - Community Supported Shelters](#)



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Now more than ever, community leaders want to solve homelessness. Our team of experts and people with lived expe...

Anne Carr
650-793-2468

On Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 04:48:43 PM PST, Brien Farrell <brienfarrell@yahoo.com> wrote:

Help, please.

Here are the agenda and slides for the Measure P Oversight Committee workshop Thursday evening.

I am now the committee's vice- chair. Our chair, Jasmine Salmerón, is Tina's appointee. She is smart and a good listener. Jasmine was co- chair for PB, I believe. Her accounting background serves her well on our committee.

There are several reasons for the compressed schedule. The budget goes to council on 3/25. Our committee has been tasked with getting its comments regarding priorities for use of Measure P funds to council by then. Our next meeting after the workshop is on 3/14.

I intend to seek committee support to supplement our recommendations during the budget review

process.

The council has already approved use of (my estimate) over half of the Measure P funds for street repairs, pothole repairs, striping, and a slurry seal projects, subject to approval of a bond to be paid through Measure P funds.

The workshop will focus on the other Measure P eight priorities adopted by the previous council.

If you could help invite people to attend in person or by Zoom on Thursday, I'd be grateful.

Comments and questions from those who can't attend can be directed to Debbie Martir at debbie.martir@cityofvallejo.net.

Let me know if you have questions.

Brien

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Begin forwarded message:

On Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 4:32 PM, Debbie Martir <Debbie.Martir@cityofvallejo.net> wrote:

Hello MPOC Members and Council Liaisons (bcc'd),

Please find attached a flyer for sharing, the agenda and copy of the presentation for this week's meeting. The agenda is available online at:

<https://vallejoca.portal.civicclerk.com/event/2870/files/agenda/5392>

To see the PowerPoint presentation online, please make sure to select the "Agenda Packet" option on the upper left side of the webpage.

From: [Anne Carr](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#); [Jasmine Salmeron](#); [Brien Farrell](#); [Anna Bergman](#); [Richard Hybels](#)
Cc: [Terrance Davis](#); [Randy J. Risner](#); [Mike Malone](#); [Mina Loera-Diaz](#)
Subject: Measure P Citizen Oversight Committee
Date: Monday, March 25, 2024 3:35:47 PM
Attachments: [Lifepak15Prices.pdf](#)

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Dear Measure P Team,

It has been exciting to watch your progress in developing recommendations for using the Measure P funds.

As you close in on your votes for what to recommend to City Council, I'd suggest some principles to guide you:

- * Look for where you can make the **broadest vs a narrow impact**, i.e., how to affect the greatest number of residents.

- * **Insist on documentation for staff recommendations.** Remember, the Measure P Oversight Team is supposed to represent **residents**, and as such will be accountable to residents. If staff cannot justify their proposals to you, how can you in turn justify the proposals to residents? While you might feel intimidated in declining a staff request, you are only saying not this round, not forever. Staff can always come back with more full-fledged proposals in later rounds of Measure P funds.

- * **Resist staff proposals to tap Measure P funds for items that should be part of their normal budgets.** Also, resist the staff tendency to tap extra funds as a chance to go on a shopping spree to acquire hard-to-justify goodies.

- * For the Covid Relief funds (ARPA) the Fire Department spent more than \$2million on a kinder, gentler wake up system at its stations. Instead of a siren, they now have lights that gradually turn on, and a voice saying wake up.

- * Covid Relief (ARPA) funds were also used to pay HUD back \$2.6 million because of staff mismanagement, and \$1.5 million for employee bonuses.

- * **Be careful for proposals that are not actionable now**, vs parking the funds for later use. For Participatory Budgeting, the projects need to be shovel-ready, which is not an unreasonable standard.

- * **Give priority to 1-year requests**, with option to renew or extend. This allows both you and the staff time to review progress and make course corrections if needed. It also encourages the staff to take action rather than letting things drift.

Reasonable people can disagree about various proposals. The following is merely a view from outside regarding some of the staff requests:

- * **The proposals for litter pick-up, and graffiti steam-cleaning need either detail or rethinking. Suggestion: table the litter proposal, invite back for next round. Ask Youth Commission to pick up the graffiti paint project.** I like Melissa Tigbao, and know she lives local. However, she has not done her best work in forwarding her requests. If she wants additional help for picking up debris and litter, ask her to at least indicate how many staff hours/week/month were allocated to that last year. This might give you a sense of how a non-profit could augment that. The litter pick-up request lacks any reference to how much a non-profit might charge for this, and just where they might work. Where we most need the help would be White Slough and Columbus Parkway, and no one wants to go there, plus it may be too dangerous for non-profits. The steam-clean request is frivolous, given that graffiti will ultimately need to be painted. It would be better to set graffiti aside for Youth Paint and Mural Teams.

- * **The lighting proposal could use a rework** -- the request for the lock-boxes is reasonable, but I'd scrutinize the request for solar lights. Yes, they may last longer, but if we can only afford 21, it's scratching the surface of what the City needs in lighting -- AND -- they're expensive! In my neighborhood alone, one of my neighbors has been requesting light repair FOR YEARS for 14 lights along Wilson Avenue. At \$2k/light, the City could afford to fix them (\$28k), but if they all went solar, it would take more than half the entire \$250k allocation. And that's just one street! I'd encourage Public Works to use the funds for regular street light repair and bulb replacement, and ask how many lights need work.

- * **Defibrillators** -- Did I hear correctly that each single defibrillator/cardiac monitor would cost \$125,000 for the unit with 7 years service? I would ask for a copy of written estimates on that, and for options for 1 or 2 years service. In doing a Google search for Lifepak15 defibrillators with all sorts of enhancements, I was told they run from \$15,000-\$30,000/unit, and that a maintenance contract might cost \$995/year. In the link below, they have a refurbished Lifepak15 monitor/defibrillator for \$19,950. Even if a new one cost double that, it's still a lot less than \$120,000/unit. The goal with Measure P funds is to get the money active in the community, not to have a 7-year insurance pact, or a purchase with multi-year replacement units. For a high tech product, one also needs to factor in new versions coming out, and older versions becoming less expensive.

Integris Equipment, 888-228-7564, Joe Parrot, conversation 3/25/24. Refurbished unit for \$19,950.

<https://www.integrisequipment.com/collections/lifepak-15>

Per One Beat Medical, a new Lifepak 15 has a list price of \$52,000, but refurbished would run \$16,999.

https://onebeatmedical.com/product/re-certified-physio-control-lifepak-15-defibrillator-12-lead-version-4-2/?utm_agid=163903736590&creative=694121211596&device=c&placement=&utm_term=lifepak%2015%20price&utm_campaign=Google%20Lifepak%2015&utm_source=google-ads&utm_medium=ppc&hsrc=1909967210&hsa_cam=792429493&hsa_grp=163903736590&hsa_ad=694121211596&hsa_src=g&hsa_tgt=kwd-334926531787&hsa_kw=lifepak%2015%20price&hsa_mt=p&hsa_net=adwords&hsa_ver=3&gad_source=1&gclid=Cj0KCQjwwYSwBhDcARIsAOyLfUyFtFSB3n1luQWu8zS1HOUM-2PEdKC6PMzQ4M93RC_Zba_x-5ucaAq29EALw_wcB

In doing a Google search on Lifepak15s, the prices ranged for new units from \$33,000 to \$43,000. See the attached screen shot.

- * **Police Training** -- Many of the training types listed are already standard training for the police, e.g., use of force, bias free, stops, searches & seizures etc. Also the additional training needed is once the consent decree is ready to implement -- per Nebb, it's in judicial review right now. When will they clear judicial review? I would suggest tabling this request until:

- 1) Police show they are ready to embrace reform (and not fight it),
- 2) The consent decree clears judicial review, and
- 3) Police can show that this is in addition to the training they would normally undertake out of their normal budget.

Security Guards -- Vallejo is grossly understaffed with respect to police officers, and the process is so lengthy to bring new officers on that it can literally take up to 18 months from first contact to getting someone on the street. Security guards could help be a preventive force in the interim.

For Vallejo's existing contract, it runs about \$1million for 1 guard 24/7/365. I would suggest bumping this request to \$2million.

Downtown merchants have suffered so many burglaries that some have lost their insurance. Gateway Plaza merchants have become targets for organized crime shoplifting rings. Vallejo's paid parking garage lacks security and has become a hot bed for catalytic converter thefts.

Derelict Cars -- there has to be a better way than what we are doing, which is next to nothing. If the work needed is to revise police job descriptions and confer with unions, then get help to do that. **Waiting for the police to have enough staff is unacceptable, and leaving derelict cars all around increases the lawlessness in our city.** Plus, we're now hearing tow trucks are coming and dumping derelict cars here! It's completely out of control. Even the monthly tiny sweeps is not enough. Get the staff to figure out how many cars are actually on the street (and not duplicates) and then get them removed.

Unhoused -- leave the requested amount in place, but NOT for the warming shelter (which is lightly utilized), nor for the Nav Ctr (already budgeted). Task staff with figuring out a pilot program of some flavor of tiny sheds that give the unhoused a private sleeping space, and secure place for storing belongings.

Youth Programs -- Fund for one year with option to extend. Regarding funding for the Youth Council, keep in mind that existing commissions do not get anything close to \$40k/year for programs. The most generously funded commission is for Sister Cities -- they get \$16k year, and are the envy of all the other commissions, some of which might get \$500-\$1000. Personally, I'd like to see funds for activities with a broader reach than a Youth Council of 7 members, or sending an elite delegation to a conference. There is always a complaint that there's nothing to do. If you do pursue getting a plan, please focus on broad reach.

What about a Talent Show?
How about hip-hop dance classes, perhaps with internationally known Greg Chapkis out of Fairfield?
Maybe a hip hop competition and show?
How about teens teaching senior citizens how to use smart phones?
Graffiti paint out, maybe with murals?
Any discrete efforts possible from Homie's Empowerment?
Best Youth float for July 4, maybe working with Obtainium Works?
Broad program to fund field trips, maybe to the Exploratorium?

Again, thank you for the work you're doing on Measure P, and thank you for the opportunity to interact with the Measure P Oversight Team!

Sincerely,
Anne Carr
650-793-2468

From: [Calvin Harrell](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#)
Subject: Measure P Meeting 3/21/2024
Date: Thursday, March 21, 2024 1:50:13 PM

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Respectfully, most of these items should be a no-vote without detailed information on the allocation's use.

Project: Graffiti Removal Equipment - \$150,000

Council Priority: Blight/Keeping Public Spaces Clean

I do not believe that graffiti was at the top of the Blight/Keeping Public Spaces Clean list.

Debris should be at the top of the list.

What is the degree of graffiti that currently exists?

Businesses and private property owners are responsible for their maintenance.

Are there significant public property spaces that require graffiti abatement?

Where are these locations?

Are there pictures available for the committee to justify or validate the request?

Project: Illegal Dumping/Litter Abatement - \$500,000

Council Priority: Address Dumping

The greatest issue is in the areas near the encampments.

Is there a specific plan for addressing this, or is it a matter of "get the money and plan later"? Do we have photo evidence of significant dumping in other areas?

Project: Streetlight Repair/Expansion - \$500,000

Council Priority: Blight/Keeping Public Spaces Safe

What portion of the allocation is for Repair and for Expansion?

Where is expansion planned?

What is the timeline for the repairs to be completed?

No list, no money

Project: Dept. of Justice Policy and Practices Reform Efforts - \$500,000

Council Priority Crime Prevention

Why is Measure P money being requested to fix a department that created this issue while receiving increased compensation at every negotiation?

There are many unfilled officer positions. The money should come from the unused funds for those positions.

Project: Increased Security Services - \$500,000

Council Priority Crime Prevention

What does “Increased Security Measures” mean?

Is this funding being used for existing resources or new resources?

Project: Extreme Weather Centers - \$500,000

Council Priority: Homelessness

How are these funds to be used?

Are the centers going to be available more often?

Is it for staffing?

Project: Navigation Center - \$1.1M

Council Priority: Homelessness

No specific plan shown. Why?

Money has been allocated prior to Measure P.

Why tap into this resource?

Project: Youth Programs - \$400,000

Council Priority: Youth Priorities

GVRD should be at the table for youth services/activity funding.

Whatever funding is approved should have strings attached.

Trips to conferences for a select few youth citizens is inappropriate.

Calvin Harrell

From: [Anne Carr](#)
To: [Debbie Martir](#); [Brien Farrell](#); [Jasmine Salmeron](#); [Anna Bergman](#)
Subject: Measure P Oversight Team, for the meeting on 3/21
Date: Wednesday, March 20, 2024 11:39:04 PM
Attachments: [MsrP.AnneCarr3.21.24.pdf](#)

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Greetings Debbie & the Measure P Team,

Please find enclosed my suggestions for the Measure P Team. Where I had the emails addresses I've have copied folks, but I didn't have the emails for everyone. Debbie: can you send to the additional members of the Measure P team?

My tippy-top suggestion: encourage the Measure P team to discuss what would *they* like to see funded, ignoring staff's "helpful" suggestions, and remembering that staff has regular budgetary resources to draw upon for things like their equipment. In other words, what is not already being funded? Staff has had a pattern of raiding Participatory Budgeting and ARPA funds for items that should be funded out of their regular operations budgets.

The top ideas I come up with that are not already funded are removing derelict cars, increasing the funds for security guards, and applying the homeless support funds to a pilot project for some sort of tiny shed/Conestoga Hut. Details are provided in my mark-up for the staff ideas.

Best regards,
Anne

From: [Brien Farrell](#)
To: [Mina Loera-Diaz](#); [Mike Malone](#); [Terrance Davis](#); [Debbie Martir](#); [Randy J. Risner](#); [Jasmine Salmeron](#)
Subject: Re: Request for Further Information About Measure P Funding Priorities
Date: Monday, March 25, 2024 10:06:06 AM

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,I am a steward, as is staff, council and the MPOC,, of the public's hard-earned dollars. Measure P proponents, including current council members and community leaders, promised, through Measure P funds, serious progress regarding streets, services for the unhoused, blight, and other critical areas. I need reasonable details and substantial justification for use of scarce city sales tax revenue before recommending funding for new services or facilities.

Staff says that its proposals are not highly detailed for a variety of reasons and that this is normal. Measure P was passed in November 2022. The city has been receiving Measure P revenue since April 2023. It has been clear for nearly 18 months that there will be approximately \$22M in Measure P fund available to build a better Vallejo at the end of 23-24 fiscal year. In spite of the lengthy period to present proposals based on background discussions with possible vendors and community stakeholders, there is, in many cases little, or no, detail to assess staff proposals.

General Questions

Failure to Recommend Allocation of \$9M in Available Measure P

Staff recommends that \$9M of Measure P funds available for use by the end of June 2024 not be disbursed to meet critical needs. Why?

The community expects Measure P funds to be used prudently and promptly. We have many unmet needs. Staff has identified very large unmet needs including a new police station and a costly contract with the Solano County SO. Is the reality of these looming expenses one reason staff has recommended retention of \$9M of Measure P funds available in fiscal year 24-25. I understand there is a risk of future litigation regarding sales tax ballot measures. If the risk is serious, how can the city justify spending \$13M, but not \$22M, in Measure P revenue?

Salary Savings

I understand that salary savings in the VPD will fund part of the cost of an SO contract for police services in Vallejo. What percentage of the SO contract cost will be supplied by salary savings? Will 23-24 and 24-25 salary savings be used? How much?

The bigger question is approximately how much in salary savings there is and will there be, based on the past three years' experience, for each of the departments seeking Measure P funds. For example, does the VFD have salary savings available to purchase cardiac monitors in the 23-24 fiscal year? If not, how have (and how will) VFD salary savings for 23-24 been (or be) spent? And what about probable 24-25 salary savings?

I would appreciate hearing from the Finance Director by Zoom or in person regarding the salary savings issues. Due to differences in vacancy rates and other factors, I assume that the salary savings issues are different in each department.

Staff Recommendations

10.E.1. I would like more information about the proposed use of private security. Where, when, what will the scope of work be, and who? (Santa Monica had a falling out with perhaps the largest private security firm serving cities over homophobic public statements of the co- founder of the security firm. I urge caution in the selection of a private security firm. Based on a quick search, some vendors highlight a hard-nosed, paramilitary level of service. That is probably not the best approach.

It was mentioned that there would be dialogue with the community about private security. What would that look like? Would there be consideration of private security in residential areas hit hardest by crime? Would business areas other than the downtown be considered?

10.E.2.

Extreme Weather Centers

We now know that staff did not develop this recommendation through consultation with Vallejo Together, Faith, Pastor Mike, Food, Friday and other groups and individuals, who possess experience and expertise serving the unhoused. Do those serving the unhoused here believe that extreme weather centers are the highest priority for Measure P funds? I need to understand better how staff prioritized use of the Measure P funds before reaching a conclusion about the recommendation for the unhoused.

I read this morning that LA has interviewed many unhoused people at the largest encampments to identify those most at risk of death, if they do not have a roof over their heads. As a part of their harm reduction efforts, LA is providing motel rooms based on who is most at risk of dying on the streets.

What other possibilities were considered for use of Measure P funds to assist the unhoused? Why were none of them recommended?

What steps would be taken to induce the unhoused to use the centers, if there is funding for centers?

10.E.4.

You heard one or more members of the MPOC express doubts that the cost of attendance at a national leadership conference would be recommended by the MPOC. Community members have asked whether youth services should prioritize our many unhoused youth, those in or at risk of entering the criminal justice system, those not attending school, and those with special needs. What community groups (including GVRD, schools, and nonprofits) participated in developing the youth services recommendations?

Cardiac Monitors

How much did the current defibrillators cost/ unit (including any warranty)? Are salary savings available to purchase new cardiac monitors?

DOJ Compliance Costs/ Crime Prevention

It appears that the IACP (International Chiefs of Police) does not consider police reform to be crime prevention. Is there any evidence that police reform costs fall within crime prevention? I have found none.

I strongly support the additional training that was described. But, the training will not address crime prevention. The council can easily change its Measure P priorities to include police reform. It is hard to imagine that securing a super-majority would be difficult.

The DOJ's complaint against the VPD declares that the DOJ has determined that there has been a long history of unconstitutional policing, excessive force, and racial misconduct by the VPD. The purpose of

the Stipulated Judgment is to reduce unlawful misconduct by the VPD; it is not intended to reduce crime in Vallejo. We clearly need crime prevention services.

I request that VPD staff propose a crime prevention plan and funding for our city. Measure P pledged funding for crime prevention.

Graffiti abatement, illegal dumping, and litter and trash clean-up

I request details about who, what will change if the funding is approved by council, when, how, and where. It does not appear that there have been discussions with community partners or private vendors. Is that correct? It seems highly unlikely that community partners or vendors have the capacity to provide the level of service assumed by the amount of the request for litter and trash clean-up.

We have been provided with no model other than general references to San Francisco. I strongly support employment of people who are capable of paid work. It is the scale and the lack of substance that are a problem thus far.

If we approved a small trial project, what would that look like? What else can be done besides a contract that focuses on employing unhoused people to help with litter? Does Recology have recommendations? What are other cities doing?

Abandoned Vehicles

You will be asked again for your recommendations on how the city make progress in removing abandoned vehicles, which contribute substantially to Vallejo's blight. For five years, the council and staff have been asked repeatedly to take steps to reduce the number of abandoned vehicles. There have been various replies, long silences, and no progress. In fact, we have seen a doubling in the problem.

The ordinance needs improvement. It is not consistent with many.

Staff says that there is no available staff. Can a vendor provide some staff?

What is the issue in the job description of VPD officers? How could that be changed? Time estimate? Due to staff workload, do we need outside counsel to make progress in drafting a revised ordinance and meeting with the VPOA?

Are there consultants, including retired experts from other cities, who could review our challenges and make recommendations? Simply saying, "Nothing will change" is not acceptable for me.

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On Sat, Mar 23, 2024, 8:13 PM phillip b <phillipb2003@yahoo.com> wrote:

Good evening Council,

Youth Programs: Council recognized the need for youth programs when assigning and prioritizing Measure P funds, and the question now becomes how to move forward advocating it. In an effort to ensure equity throughout the city, I recommend a two step process. Each District would receive 1/2 percent of total Measure P revenue, and an additional 1 1/2 percent would be split between districts based on the amount of children enrolled in that district. Council then could work with our youth coordinator, and nonprofits to provide youth and diversion programs across the city. The more children we can engage, the better off we are as a society. The initial dollar amount of 400k over two years floated during the Measure P meeting fails to be able to address youth programs at an acceptable level. Consideration for a higher amount would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
Phillip Balbuena