



Date: May 10, 2024

To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

From: Kevin Riper, Director of Financial Management 

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Submittal of 2023 Transactions and Use Tax Citizens' Advisory Committee Annual Report**

As required by Long Beach Municipal Code Section 2.18.090, the Transactions and Use Tax Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) submits the attached Annual Report for calendar year 2023. This report was approved by the CAC at their regular scheduled meeting on March 20, 2024.

During 2023, the CAC was comprised of Miles Nevin (current Chair), Judy Ross (current Vice Chair), and members Rolando Cruz, Robert Emigh, and Jan Hower. The CAC convened two times in 2023 to review revenues, expenditures, proposed spending plans, and project updates associated with the uses of Measure A funding. To date, the CAC has found all budgeted uses and actual spending of Measure A funding to be in conformance with the establishing resolutions.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (562) 570-6427 or Nader Kaamoush at (562) 570-6513.

ATTACHMENT – 2023 TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX CAC ANNUAL REPORT

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TRANSACTIONS AND USE TAX CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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2023 Annual Report for the City of Long Beach Transactions and Use Tax Citizens' Advisory Committee as outlined in Long Beach Municipal Code (LBMC) (Chapter 2.18.090 – ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES).

Objectives and Functions

The five-member Transactions and Use Tax Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) was established under Resolution No. RES-16-0033 by the City Council for the purpose of periodically reviewing the City's use of the transactions and use tax (TUT), which was approved by voters on June 7, 2016, and is commonly known as Measure A.

The CAC is primarily tasked with reviewing the uses of TUT revenue, receiving updates on the status of TUT funded projects, and advising the City Council on the compliance of such efforts with the intent of Resolutions No. RES-16-0018 and RES-19-0127.

Recommendations Presented to the City Council

To date, the CAC has reviewed and confirmed that the City of Long Beach (City) has used all TUT revenue appropriately and as permitted by the resolutions (RES-16-0018 and RES-19-0127) and corresponding ballot measures, which prioritizes the use of TUT revenue on infrastructure improvements, public safety, and the Community Hospital.

The City Council did not refer any items to the CAC in 2023.

Meetings Held in 2023

In 2023, the CAC conducted two public meetings and reviewed the following topics:

March 22, 2023

- Cancelled Due to Lack of Quorum

August 23, 2023

- FY 22 Update on Measure A Expenditure and Revenues
- Proposed Revisions to Measure A Spending Plan
- FY 23 Update on Measure A Expenditure and Revenues
- Measure A FY 24 Proposed Budget, including Infrastructure Projects Updates
- Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- Review of Committee Activities in Calendar Year 2022

In attendance: Judy Ross (Chair), Miles Nevin, Rolando Cruz, Robert Emigh, Jan Hower

November 8, 2023

- Presentation by the Office of Ethics and Transparency regarding the Ethics Program
- Measure A FY 24 Adopted Budget
- Presentation by the Fire Department
- Update on Infrastructure Projects
- 2024 Committee Meeting Dates and Topics

In attendance: Miles Nevin (Chair), Judy Ross (Vice Chair), Rolando Cruz, Robert Emigh, Jan Hower

Number of Public Hearings Conducted

The CAC conducted no public hearings in 2023.

Funding Expended to Support the Body

Minimal funding was expended on supporting the CAC. Costs per meeting included photocopies, postage, and staff time to prepare reports and presentations.

City Personnel Assisting the Body

The CAC is staffed by the Department of Financial Management. The primary individuals supporting the CAC in 2023 were:

- Grace Yoon, Budget Manager
- Nader Kaamoush, Budget Management Officer
- Sanam Parvizi, Budget Analyst

Recommendation as to Whether the Body should be Abolished, Modified, or Continued

We recommend that the CAC continue in accordance with the wishes of voters and as established by Resolution No. RES-16-0033.