

CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE-MEASURE C
MINUTES

CITY HALL
MERCED, CALIFORNIA

TUESDAY
August 9, 2011

The Citizens' Oversight Committee-Measure C of the City of Merced, California met in regular session on Tuesday, August 9, 2011. Chairperson MARY WARD called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Committee Member DALE VAN DEN BOOM.

(B) ROLL CALL

Present:	Chairperson:	Mary Ward
	Committee Members:	Peggy Biddison Keith Ensminger Stephen Hamilton Darrell Kirbie Carol Luhring Dale Van Den Boom
	Ex-Officio Members:	Jeff Horta, International Fire Fighters Association Tracy Staiger, AFSCME
	Finance Officer:	Brad Grant
Absent:	Vice-Chairperson:	Fred Buckingham
	Committee Members:	(One Vacancy – South District)
	Ex-Officio Members:	Ron Daugherty, MACE Keith Pelowski, Merced Police Sergeants Association Alan Ward, Merced Police Sergeants Association

Secretary's Note: No members of the public were present.

(C) ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

(D) CONSENT CALENDAR

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBER LUHRING, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER KIRBIE, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, THE MEASURE C-CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE CONSENT CALENDAR AS SET FORTH BELOW WAS HEREBY DULY ADOPTED:

(D-1) ACCEPT FOR INFORMATION ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

(D-1-A) FINAL ADOPTED 2011/2012 CITY COUNCIL BUDGET

(D-2) APPROVE AND FILE MEASURE C-CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MAY 10, 2011.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: VAN DEN BOOM, HAMILTON,
LUHRING, KIRBIE, BIDDISON, ENSMINGER, WARD
NOES: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: NONE
ABSENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: BUCKINGHAM

(E) REPORTS

(E-1) Preliminary Revenue and Expense Reports – June 30, 2011 (Grant)

Finance Officer BRAD GRANT reviewed the June 30, 2011 Preliminary Revenue and Expense Reports and corresponding Microsoft© PowerPoint slides.

In an effort to boost the economy, Committee Member ENSMINGER reiterated his request for funding to be allocated equally among Fire, Police and, Streets Departments/Divisions in future budget years.

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBER ENSMINGER, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER BIDDISON, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, TO ACCEPT THE PRELIMINARY REVENUE AND EXPENSE REPORT-JUNE 30, 2010 AS INFORMATION.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: VAN DEN BOOM, HAMILTON,
LUHRING, KIRBIE, BIDDISON, ENSMINGER, WARD
NOES: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: NONE
ABSTAIN: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: NONE
ABSENT: COMMITTEE MEMBERS: BUCKINGHAM

(F) BUSINESS FROM COMMITTEE

(F-1) City Council Appointment Recommendation – Linda Lopez’s South District Vacancy

Secretary JAMIE FANCONI announced there had been no applications submitted for the South District Vacancy.

(F-2) Discussion on Committee Members’ Term Expirations as of January 1, 2012 and Eligibility for Reappointment (Ward)

Chairperson WARD reviewed the term expirations of Committee Members ENSMINGER, HAMILTON, and KIRBIE stating she would like to perform public relations work in order to promote and fill the current and upcoming vacancies. WARD advised she would write a commentary letter to the editor and asked if staff could run the vacancy notice in the newspaper for an additional three weeks. In addition, WARD announced the subcommittee would meet this fall to review the applications submitted.

Committee Members whose terms would be expiring in January, 2012, agreed to stay on until their vacancies had been filled.

Committee Member ENSMINGER suggested reaching out to specific community groups. VAN DEN BOOM agreed.

Finance Officer BRAD GRANT offered sending out an announcement with the utility bills and using the City Scene newsletter.

Fire Chief MICHAEL McLAUGHLIN recommended using the community discussions forum and public service announcements on the radio.

(G) ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBER KIRBIE, SECONDED BY COMMITTEE MEMBER BIDDISON, DULY CARRIED, RESOLVED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:24 P.M. TO THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE-MEASURE C MEETING ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE CIVIC CENTER CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR, 678 WEST 18TH STREET, MERCED, CALIFORNIA.

BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	VAN DEN BOOM, HAMILTON, LUHRING, LOPEZ, KIRBIE, BIDDISON, ENSMINGER, WARD
NOES:	COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	COMMITTEE MEMBERS:	BUCKINGHAM

BY:

JAMIE FANCONI
COMMITTEE SECRETARY

APPROVED:

MARY WARD, CHAIRPERSON