



OCTA

Minutes

Measure M2 Environmental Cleanup Allocation Committee

Committee Members Present:

Garry Brown, Chair.
Keith Linker, Vice Chair.
Marc Brown, Santa Ana RWQCB
William Hunt, Orange County Water District
Hector B. Salas, Caltrans
Grant Sharp, County of Orange
Mark Tettermer, Irvine Ranch Water District
Alex Waite, City of Tustin
Dennis Wilberg, City of Mission Viejo

Orange County Transportation
Authority
550 South Main Street, Conf. Room
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Orange, California
August 8, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.

Committee Member(s) Absent:

Jill Ingram, City of Seal Beach
Jeff Kuo, Cal State Fullerton
Jeff Thompson, Rancho Mission Viejo
Laurie Walsh, San Diego RWQCB
Marwan Youssef, City of Westminster

Orange County Transportation Authority Staff Present:

Alison Army, Principal Transportation Analyst Charlie Larwood, Transp. Planning Mgr.
Marissa Espino, Community Relations Officer Dan Phu, Environmental Programs Mgr.

1. Welcome

Chair Garry Brown welcomed everyone to the quarterly Measure M Environmental Cleanup Allocation Committee (ECAC) meeting. He asked for everyone to introduce themselves.

2. Approval of January 10, 2019 Minutes

Chair Garry Brown asked if there are any additions or corrections to the January 10, 2019 meeting minutes. A motion was made by a Keith Linker, seconded by Alex Waite, and carried unanimously to approve the January 10, 2019 ECAC minutes.

3. Tier 1 Programming Recommendations

Alison Army presented the 2019 Tier 1 Programming Call and Recommendations. She said this was a 60-day call and OCTA received 11 applications from 10 cities. Applications were reviewed independently and the committee came together to recommend all 11 projects this year. Alison said this was a good group of projects and all of them scored over 70. She said the total funding amount recommended for

this cycle is \$2,045,234. Alison said there is one project that needs to be approved on a conditional basis, depending on their submittal of an updated City of Fullerton resolution planned for August 20, 2019. She said most of the project this cycle were screen and filter projects. Attachment A of the staff report lists all of the details. Alison said with an endorsement by this committee, it would then go to the OCTA Board of Directors Regional Planning and Highways Committee on September 5, 2019 and then the full OCTA Board on September 9, 2019. She thanked Mark Tettermer and Garry Brown for taking part in the evaluation process along with OCTA staff members.

The committee asked if there were any projects that did not make the cut. Alison Army said all applications that were received were being recommended for funding.

The committee discussed the cities' needs for funding trash capture devices or other Tier 1 eligible BMPs..

Mark Tettermer said that he participated on the panel, but did not participate in the scoring of the project for the City of Lake Forest since he is the Mayor of the City of Lake Forest.

A motion was made by Mark Tettermer, seconded by Alex Waite and unanimously endorsed the evaluation committee's recommendation for Board of Directors to program \$1,962,452 in Tier 1 Environmental Cleanup Program funding for 10 projects and endorse the evaluation committee's recommendation for OCTA Board of Directors approval to program \$82,782 in Tier I Environmental Cleanup Program funding for one project in the City of Fullerton, subject to the receipt of a revised city council resolution with the exception of the City of Lake Forest's project.

A motion was made by Alex Waite, seconded by William Hunt and unanimously endorsed the Tier 1 Environmental Cleanup Program funding of project for the City of Lake Forest as outlined above for OCTA Board of Directors approval. Mark Tettermer abstained because he is a resident of the City of Lake Forest.

4. Water Quality Improvement Projects Survey Results

Alison Army presented the Water Quality Improvement Projects Survey Results. She said this committee asked for OCTA to survey the cities about their needs for funding these projects. The OCTA Community Relations staff sent out a survey to the city staff/the County of Orange in early July. Alison said OCTA received 12 responses to the survey. Overall, the survey reflected that there is a need for Tier 2 funding in the next five years.

The committee asked if there were any responses to the question of innovative ideas. Alison Army said there were two responses. One was "work collaboratively with all the cities to improve water quality planning." The other was "a wet weather first-flush diversion system with trash catch BMP's."

Garry Brown said he spoke with Toni Iseman, the former Mayor of Laguna Beach, and would like to modify a truck to wash down the curbs and streets in downtown Laguna Beach. He told her parts of the project may fall under the M2 Ordinance. Dan Phu said staff could look into this, but the ordinance specifically states that capital items would be funded. Perhaps modifications to a truck, a truck itself, or a capture device to reclaim the water might be acceptable. Grant Sharp said there are about 25 storm drain diversions in the city already. Charlie asked if they have an oversized pump at their facility that could handle the capacity. Grant said he was unsure. Grant said it is a great idea. He said the problem would be figuring a way to filter out the trash.

The committee asked if we have a schedule for the next call for projects. Dan Phu said maybe in year 2021/22. He said the overall sales tax revenues have stabilized which could facilitate a next call. When the time comes we will have to revisit the guidelines since we will not be bonding on future revenues. He said we do not know what the dollar amount would be so we will work with our finance staff to determine the call amount based on tax revenue.

The committee asked when the state grants will become available, so that cities could get matching grants for OCTA's next call. Dan Phu said staff can check on this and ideally we would match it, but due to funding availability OCTA could not do a call until 2021 at the earliest.

The committee asked if there is a longer call period on Tier 2 versus Tier 1. Dan Phu said yes – usually about 90-days. He said Geosyntec is reaching out to some of the respondents to see if OCTA can help develop or give ideas for Tier 2 projects.

The committee discussed borrowing money against Measure M revenues and how screens and filters are always going to be a need for the cities.

The committee discussed private properties/facilities that discharge directly into the sewer systems and enforcement.

5. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

6. Committee Member Reports

Garry Brown suggested the committee take a trip to funded project sites. Charlie Larwood mentioned OCTA has held vendor fairs as well, through OCTA's Community Relations Department. Garry Brown said he found the fairs beneficial. He said there have been recent innovations that would be interesting to see. Garry talked about some new innovations and field trips the ECAC participated in. Marissa Espino said these are things that staff can look into for the early part of next year.

Keith Linker said the City of Anaheim would be happy to be on the agenda for a field trip to the Green Alley. He said Modjeska Park is currently under construction and

this would be really interesting to see at the right time. Marissa Espino said she will coordinate with Keith on the timing of this.

Garry Brown asked about the storm drain work of the I-405 widening project. Hector Salas said the design builder that OCTA selected does this work, but they have to meet Caltrans standards and Caltrans is responsible for after it is built. He said Caltrans has staff on sight monitoring any small changes to make sure changes are up to standards.

7. Next Meeting – TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.