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# Board Report

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**MEASURE M INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**
**DECEMBER 4, 2019**

**SUBJECT: MINUTES**

## RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE Minutes of the Measure M Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Meeting held September 4, 2019.



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# Agenda - Minutes

## Measure M Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, September 4, 2019

### 10:30 a.m.

Metro Board Room, 3rd Fl.
Metro Headquarters Building
One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles, 90012

Committee Members Present:
Linda Briskman – Vice Chair
Ryan Campbell
Virginia Tanzmann

Public Meeting

1. Chair Person's Introductory Remarks – NO REPORT due to the absence of the Chair.

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2. APPROVE March 6, 2019 Workshop Meeting Summary – CARRIED OVER

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3. RECEIVED Oral Report on Transit Operations and Maintenance (C. Cheung)

Because of the large closure, had to replace with 60-70 busses and 100 operator assignments. Additionally, 300 buses are reaching 18 years old and we are having to extend their use. Numbers will come up as we receive our new buses.

The Board passed a motion last month to form a working group with LADOT to look at speed and reliability issues. Added a bus lane on Spring Street to improve speed. Replaced all original Blue Line cars so miles between problems is improving.

Member Campbell asked the volume of bus v. rail. Conan Cheung responded that it is about 850,000 vs. 350,000 or 2/3 bus vs. 1/3 rail.

Member Briskman asked about the conversion from bus to rail when a new line opens.

Conan said there is some drop, but when aggregated there is always higher ridership.

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4. RECEIVED Oral Report on FY20 Budget (T. Mengle)

Revenues:

Sales tax and bonds = 70%
State funding and grants = 20%
Fares, advertising and express lanes = 7%

Sales taxes provide three quarters of our resources - $844 million in FY19 and should be the same in FY20

Expenditures:

Infrastructure developed = 36%
Metro transit = 25%
Local Muni and transit partners – 20%

Crenshaw/LAX to be open by the end of FY20. New Blue work is on schedule
And should be back in full operation in a few months.

Continue to receive new CNG buses and some ZEB's which will go to the Orange Line.

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NextGen study is continuing. Changes from that study will be implemented next year.

Member Ryan inquired about the cause of the passenger fare decrease and was told that ridership was the driver – lots of mode choices.

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5. RECEIVED Oral Report on Local Return (S. Richan)

Working to help cities pass their audits.
Projects in Glendale – Train station and safe routes to school

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6. RECEIVED Oral Report on Transit and Highway Project Status (B. Boudreau / A. Ansari)

Close to 100 projects in the works. Purple Line Section 3 ending at the VA should be completed by 2027.

Gold Line Foothill extension to Pomona – Claremont/Montclair is uncertain.

Metro Connector construction should start in 2020 and end in 2034.

West Santa Ana Branch downtown to Artesia completing environmental this year.

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7. RECEIVED Oral Report on Active Transportation Program (C. Aguirre)

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8. RECEIVED Oral Report on State of Good Repair (D. Longley)

State of good repair = able to perform its design function, does not pose a safety risk. Life cycle investment needs or maintenance and rehab. Current backlog of $2.3 billion.

Member Campbell requested the replacement cost estimate for the current asset list.

Member Ryan requested current estimate for our current asset list.

Member Briskman asked what never gets addressed.

Staff responded that action is driven by safety and overall need, but code and regulation changes are always coming.

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9. Public Comment – NONE

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10. Meeting Adjourned at 11:40 A.M.

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