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Board Report

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MEASURE R INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MARCH 9, 2026

SUBJECT: MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

APPROVE Minutes of the Measure R Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Meeting held March 5, 2025.

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MINUTES

Wednesday, March 5, 2025

1:00 PM

Measure R Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee

DIRECTORS PRESENT:
Judge Jay Gandhi, Chair
Judge Clifford Klein

CALLED TO ORDER: 1:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

1. SUBJECT: REMARKS BY THE CHAIR **2025-0075**

RECEIVED remarks by the Chair.

Chair Gandhi shared that he lost his home in the recent wildfires and expressed his condolences to those who also lost their homes or were affected by this tragedy.

Staff shared that modifications were made to the LIFE program to offer free rides for impacted individuals.

CK	JG (Chair)
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2. SUBJECT: MINUTES **2025-0155**

APPROVED Minutes of the Measure R Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Meeting held March 7, 2024.

CK	JG (Chair)
Y	Y

3. SUBJECT: COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS FOR METRO CAPITAL PROJECTS **2025-0176**

RECEIVED oral report on cost-benefit analysis for Metro capital projects.

Judge Klein asked if a similar analysis was conducted prior to this framework. Staff confirmed that while prior analyses existed, this effort consolidates evaluations under a single umbrella to reflect recent LADOT changes.

During public comment, a concern was raised about how the framework applies when an alternative has been selected. Staff clarified that the framework provides structure while considering multiple analysis methods.

CK	JG (Chair)
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CK = C. Klein	JG = J. Gandhi

LEGEND: Y = YES, N = NO, C = CONFLICT, ABS = ABSTAIN, A = ABSENT, P = PRESENT

4. SUBJECT: MEASURE R AUDITS OF FISCAL YEAR 2024 **2025-0058**

RECEIVE AND FILE the Independent Auditor's Report on:

A. Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures for Measure R Special Revenue Fund for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024 (Attachment A) completed by BCA Watson Rice, LLP (BCA);

B. Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Measure R Ordinance and Measure R Local Return Guidelines for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024 (Attachment B) completed by Vasquez & Company, LLP (Vasquez); and

C. Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Measure R Ordinance and Measure R Local Return Guidelines for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2024 (Attachment C) completed by Simpson and Simpson, LLP (Simpson).

Judge Klein asked how the conclusion is met in the compliance audit. Staff explained that for Compton, records were unavailable, and for Baldwin Park, the required 25% threshold was not met.

Judge Gandhi requested an explanation of the different types of audit opinions and Staff explained the four opinions that can be issued.

ACTION TAKEN:	
CK	**JG (Chair)**
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5. SUBJECT: LOCAL RETURN **2025-0100**

RECEIVED oral report on Local Return programmed revenues and uses for Los Angeles County jurisdictions to support discussion on the effective and efficient use of funds.

ACTION TAKEN:	
CK	**JG (Chair)**
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6. SUBJECT: BUDGET OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT REPORT 2025-0114

RECEIVED an oral report and provide a live demonstration of the My Metro Budget Activity.

Judge Klein inquired about the use of the term "equity" in Metro's policies. Staff explained that the Board has adopted an equity platform, ensuring its integration across all initiatives while maintaining core values.

ACTION TAKEN:	
CK	**JG (Chair)**
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RECEVIED General Public Comment.

ADJOURNED AT 2:03 P.M.

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