DATE: January 30, 2015

TO: City Council

FROM: Martin R. Erickson, Deputy City Manager
Office of the City Manager

SUBJECT: Measure O Citizen Oversight Committee Appointments

RECOMMENDATION

That City Council appoint nine members of the Measure O Citizen Oversight Committee (COC).

DISCUSSION

On November 4, 2008 Measure O was approved by Oxnard voters by 65.10% (although it only required a 50% plus one as a general purpose sales tax). The basis for the COC is contained in the Measure O enabling ordinance and "citizen oversight" was also listed as a provision in the ballot language, listed below:

"City of Oxnard Vital Services Measure: To protect, maintain, and enhance vital services including police, fire, emergency response, increasing street paving/pothole repair to improve traffic flow, expanding youth recreation, after school and anti-gang prevention programs, acquiring property for parks/open space preservation, upgrading stormwater drains, improving senior services, increasing code compliance, and other general services -- shall the sales tax be increased by one half percent for twenty years only, with citizen oversight and independent financial audits?"

The nine-member COC was created by resolution of the City Council on March 3, 2010 and its composition is as follows:

- One (1) member representing and/or active in a business organization representing the business community located in the City of Oxnard.
- One (1) member representing and/or active in a senior citizen organization providing senior services in the City of Oxnard.
- One (1) member representing and/or active in a Neighborhood Council, or Neighborhood Association located in the City of Oxnard.
- One (1) member representing and/or active in a City youth organization providing services to youth between the ages of 5 and 18 years of age in the City of Oxnard.
- Five (5) at-large members of the public, one appointed by each member of the City Council.
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The current committee consists of the following individuals:

1. Nancy Lindholm (business community member) REAPPLYING
2. Don Thibeault (senior organization member) REAPPLYING
3. Steve Cripps (Neighborhood Council member) NOT REAPPLYING
4. Chuck Hookstra (Youth organization member) NOT REAPPLYING
5. Joseph William Milligan (at-large member) NOT REAPPLYING
6. Deirdre Frank (at-large member) REAPPLYING
7. Joseph M. Munoz (at-large member) REAPPLYING
8. Kay Larae Brainard (at-large member) REAPPLYING
9. David Garcia (at-large member) REAPPLYING

The COC has reviewed Measure O expenditures approved by the City Council. Additionally, the COC has received presentations from the Oxnard Police Department, Oxnard Fire Department and Public Works Department on various Measure O funded projects, from enhanced public safety services to street repairs. The COC also played a role in providing input and review for the Measure O Community Reports, which are mailed to Oxnard residents in the utility bill and details Measure O expenditures. The COC also reviewed and approved the independent audit of Measure O funding.

While the scope of the COC is clearly defined to review Measure O expenditures, and not set policy or determine how funds are expended, the COC committee members have expressed a desire to explore how their oversight role might be expanded, perhaps by the creation of sub-committees, to examine specific issues that have arisen concerning the Measure O expenditures. Moreover, over the past few years the COC expressed their concerns to Council, through letters and testimony at Council meetings. Staff will work with the COC to place this issue on the agenda for the next meeting, which will be scheduled for March/April, 2015.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no financial impact at this time.

Attachment #1  COC committee applicants by category (including incumbents and new applicants).
MEASURE O CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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APPLICATIONS:

**Business Organization** (1)
Nancy Lindholm *

**Neighborhood Council/Association** (1)
Len Shulman

**Senior Citizen Organization** (1)
Dr. Donald W. Thibeault *

**Youth Organization** (1)
Juan Reynoso

**Member at-large** - Each Councilmember makes one appointment
Brainard, Kay*
Durias, Ruby
Frank, Deirdre*
Garcia, David H.*
Munoz, Joseph M.*

Note:
*Incumbent re-applying