

City of Grass Valley Measure B Citizen Oversight Committee Agenda Action Sheet

<u>Title</u>: Confirm proposed expenditures are consistent with Measure B and the associated

Mid-Year Expenditure Plan for a portion of Fiscal Year 2024/25.

CEQA: Not a Project.

<u>Recommendation</u>: That the Citizen Oversight Committee confirms the Mid-Year expenditures for Measure B.

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Council Meeting Date: April 8, 2025 Date Prepared: April 3, 2025

Agenda: Administrative

Background Information: On October 24, 2023, the Grass Valley City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 2023-62 and Ordinance No. 826, marking a significant step for the community. These actions called for a local election on March 5, 2024, asking voters to consider a 3/8 percent general sales tax (transactions and use tax) to support Fire Resiliency and Vegetation Management initiatives.

As outlined in Ordinance No. 826, the City Council approved a detailed expenditure plan for the anticipated tax revenues, following a duly noticed public hearing. On March 5, Grass Valley voters narrowly approved Measure B, reinforcing the City's continued commitment to transparency, accountability, and responsible fiscal management, as demonstrated previously with Measure E.

According to the State's implementation schedule, Measure B will take effect on October 1, 2024. For Fiscal Year 2024/25, the City expects to receive approximately 75% of the projected annual revenue, estimated at \$2 million based on prior Measure E collections.

On August 19, 2024, the Citizens Oversight Committee endorsed staff's recommendation to implement a two-phase expenditure plan for FY 2024/25. Under this plan, approximately 60% of anticipated revenues—roughly \$1.2 million—would be allocated during the first half of the fiscal year, with the remaining 40% to be distributed after December 2024. This phased approach ensures responsible stewardship of Measure B funds while allowing for timely execution of initial projects.

The attached exhibit includes the initial expenditure plan approved by the City Council and outlines the proposed Measure B Mid-Year Budget. This document is presented for the Oversight Committee's review and confirmation that the proposed expenditures align with Measure B's stated objectives.

Additionally, the City has now received fourth-quarter sales tax figures for Measure B, enabling more accurate revenue projections for the remainder of the fiscal year. Staff will present an overview of the mid-year adjustments and explain how they align with the approved expenditure plan. For reference, the original Expenditure Plan approved with the tax measure is also attached.