



***CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (PUBLIC SAFETY)
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 7, 2017
6:00 PM
SANGER COUNCIL CHAMBER***

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Committee called their meeting to order at [6:00:05 PM](#).

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Committee Member Tony Gonzales.

C. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Sue Simpson, Vice Chair Joann Mares, Secretary Jim Miser, Committee Member Tony Gonzales, Committee Member Melissa Griggs

D. AGENDA APPROVAL, ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS

The Committee by motion of Committee Member Miser moved the compliance audit to be discussed after the Consent Calendar and approved the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Mares and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, MISER, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

Chairperson Adams motioned for a friendly amendment to remove the September 5, 2017 minutes from the Consent Calendar; that item has been voted on.

E. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jerry Valadez, CEO of Sam Academy, provided comments about his concern regarding the minutes from the last meeting as he doesn't feel they represent the business of the meeting or his presentation because they are too vague. He added that SAM Academy was the only organization that provided a financial statement. He also feels the Committee should distribute the full balance due to the organization because programs do not operate on a quarterly basis.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR

The Committee by motion of Chairperson Simpson removed the October 3, 2017 minutes from the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Mares and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, MISER, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

1. SUBJECT: Minutes for the special meetings held on July 5, 2017 and July 25, 2017.

The Committee by motion of Secretary Miser moved to not approve the minutes of July 5, 2017 and July 25, 2017 because the changes requested have not been made. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Gonzales and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, MISER, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

2. SUBJECT: Minutes from the October 3, 2017 meeting.

Committee Member Miser stated the minutes of October 3, 2017 did not mention that no Measure S money was received by the organizations. The minutes also did not give reason as to why payments were late.

The Committee by motion of Committee Member Gonzales moved to table this item until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Griggs and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, MISER, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

G. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. SUBJECT: Measure S Compliance Audit.

Public Comment:

Jerry Valadez thanked the committee for bringing up the issues and looking at the report with skepticism.

Donna Bailey agreed with the Committee and suggested they start over with the Compliance Audit. She also asked if the Committee had spoken to the company before the audit. Committee Member Miser responded that they asked to speak to the company, but the committee was told the Brown Armstrong CPAs was not available.

Kevin Carter stated the Committee should ask the firm directly what they were told to do and by whom.

Thomas Young, Brown Armstrong CPAs representative, responded to the Committee's questions including: they were not requested to attend a Citizen's Oversight Committee Meeting or they would have attended, what was completed represents what was agreed upon and based on information provided, it is up to the Council how many years to keep files but at least seven years. He said this report is a specific report designed to look at expenditures and revenues and if they are in compliance with the ordinance. He said Measure S funds were properly allocated for safety measures and in compliance with ordinances. He said the current auditing firm could conduct a 2017 audit specifically looking into the Measure S fund as part of their audit.

Donna Bailey stated she didn't understand why they were auditing the past when the concerns are more recent.

The Committee continued discussion on the approval of Measure S Compliance Audit including their concerns with the lack of information they had requested including supplement versus supplant definitions.

The Committee by motion of Secretary Miser moved to reject the compliance audit as it was not performed as ordered by City Council and that a new audit be done. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Simpson and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, MISER, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

2. SUBJECT: Measure S Budget, Revenue and Expenditure Reports – September 2017.

Administrative Services Director Gary Watahira presented the Measure S Budget, Revenue and Expenditure Reports as of September 2017.

Secretary Miser stepped away from the dais at [7:03:53 PM](#).

3. SUBJECT: Purchase of New Tasers.

The Committee by motion of Committee Member Gonzales moved to affirm that the expenditure of \$11,888 for the purchase of 10 Taser X-26P Conducted Electrical

Weapons and related accessories is an appropriate use of Measure S funds. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Griggs and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: MISER

4. SUBJECT: Purchase of New Mobile Digital Computers.

Public Comment:

Sherry Gilbert Carter stated she has no problem giving the money for equipment to the Police Department, but wonders if the funds are supposed to come from Measure S or General Fund.

Secretary Miser returned to the dais at [7:18:18 PM](#).

The Committee by motion of Chairperson Simpson moved to affirm that the expenditure of \$63,980 for the purchase of 16 Panasonic Toughbook Model #CF-31 Mobile Digital Computers and related accessories is an appropriate use of Measure S funds. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Griggs and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: MISER
ABSENT: NONE

5. SUBJECT: Installation of Poles for CCTV system at JFK Park, Faller Park, Cesar Chavez Park and Jenni Park.

The Committee by motion of Vice Chair Mares moved to affirm that the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$6,375 to install and construct poles for the CCTV system at four park locations is an appropriate use of Measure S funds. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Simpson and approved by the following vote:

AYES: SIMPSON, MARES, MISER, GONZALES, GRIGGS
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

6. SUBJECT: Police Department Update.

Police Chief Silver Rodriguez provided an update which included Halloween activities, Veterans' Parade participation, and the Department is now fully staffed.

7. SUBJECT: Fire Department Update.
RECOMMENDATION: Information item.

Fire Captain David Santos provided an update indicating that the new fire engine is currently being outfitted.

H. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

1. Information Item - Project Purple.

Chairperson Simpson stated the organization Project Purple will be returning money to the Citizen's Oversight Committee. The organization wants more of a spiritual focus which does not fall in line with the grant guidelines.

I. MATTERS INITIATED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Secretary Miser stated it's been a difficult two years; he'd love to get to the point where the City and Committee can be on the same page and can trust each other and work together.

Committee Member Griggs agreed with Secretary Miser.

Vice Chair Mares had nothing to report.

Committee Member Gonzales stated they have issues they need to address. In order to address issues of trust they need to go back and refine sections and procedures and have more people in City Council that have a background in City government or some type of government.

Chairperson Simpson requested that the agenda for the December meeting include the discussion of changing allocations to organizations from four payments to two payments and that if organizations come to present again, that it be done in December. She said the invoice is redundant and delays payments; requested the GREAT Program present a financial report and written report of what the GREAT officer has done; the need to have someone the Committee and recipients can call to centralize information and questions.

J. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

1. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at 6:00 PM.
2. City Council meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month. The next regularly scheduled City Council meetings will be held November 16, 2017 and December 7, 2017.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business the Committee adjourned their meeting at [7:51:55 PM](#).