

From: VTA Board Secretary

Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 1:34 PM

To: VTA Board of Directors; VTA Advisory Committee Members

Subject: From VTA: Message from 2016 Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee Chairperson Rose Herrera

VTA Board of Directors and Advisory Committee Members:

We are forwarding to you the request below on behalf of Rose Herrera, Chairperson of the 2016 Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee. Please also refer to attached hearing notice.

Thank you.

On behalf of my fellow 2016 Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee (MBCOC) members, we are sharing the attached public hearing notice inviting the community to provide input on 2016 Measure program expenditures for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 (7/1/2021 – 6/30/2022) as well as the results of the independent performance audit for the same period.

The MBCOC commissioned Moss Adams LLP, an independent certified public accounting firm, to perform the audit of 2016 Measure B revenue and expenditures for FY 2022. Moss Adams issued a clean opinion with no exceptions. That means that based on the professional standards and procedures applied, it was Moss Adams' professional opinion that there was reasonable assurance that 2016 Measure B revenues during the period were expended only on costs identified in the ballot. Every annual audit since 2016 Program inception in 2017 has received a clean opinion.

The MBCOC's public hearing on FY 2022 is:

Wednesday, May 24th at noon

- In-person: **Conference Room B-106, VTA Headquarters, 3331 N. First Street, San Jose, California.** (*This location is served by VTA Light Rail and Bus Line 20.*)
- Zoom videoconference: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89855424714>

It is kindly requested that you share this invitation with your constituents and community groups and be included in your city and/or district newsletters to help get the word out.

Respectfully,

Rose Herrera

Chairperson, 2016 Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee

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We Want to Hear from You!

You are invited to provide input on 2016 Measure B Program expenditures and the results of the annual performance audit at the 2016 Measure B Citizens' Oversight Committee's (MBCOC) public hearing:



Wednesday, May 24, 2023, 12:00pm

- **In-person:** Conference Room B-106, VTA Administrative Offices, 3331 N. First Street, San Jose California. (This location is served by VTA Light Rail and Bus Line 20.)
- **Zoom Video Conference:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89855424714>



Input can be provided during the meeting, or written comments for the hearing will be accepted until 10 a.m. on 5/24/23 at board.secretary@vta.org.

Further information on the public hearing is available at vta.org/2016-measure-b-citizens-oversight-committee. Contact the Office of the Board Secretary at (408) 321-5680 or board.secretary@vta.org for questions. Sign language and interpreter services will be provided upon request by contacting VTA Customer Service at (408) 321-2300 or customer.service@vta.org at least five days prior to the meeting.

Background

In November 2016, Santa Clara County voters approved Measure B, a 30-year, half-cent countywide sales tax devoted to enhancing transit, highways, expressways, and active transportation (bicycles, pedestrian, and complete streets) within Santa Clara County.

Voters entrusted the MBCOC, comprised of fellow community members, with performing oversight to ensure that 2016 Measure B funds are being spent consistent with the intent of the ballot and to also inform voters on Program compliance.

The Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) continues its delivery of the projects and programs contained in the 2016 Measure B Program. Examples of the many projects/programs underway include local streets/roads repair and improvements, highway interchanges, Caltrain corridor capacity improvements, and bicycle/pedestrian projects. More information on 2016 Measure B projects/programs is available on VTA's website:

(1) vta.org/2016measureb; and (2) <https://2016measureb.vta.org/>.

Audit Results

The MBCOC commissioned the annual independent audit of 2016 Measure B Program revenue and expenditures for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022). Moss Adams, LLP, completed this audit and presented its findings at the 3/22/23 MBCOC meeting, indicating its conclusion that VTA complied, in all material respects, with the requirements for the 2016 Measure B Program as defined in the ballot. Every annual audit of the 2016 Measure B Program since inception have received this same conclusion.

Audit reports and other information on 2016 Measure B are available on VTA's website at vta.org/2016measureb and at the VTA Administrative Office at 3331 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95134 in the Building B Main Lobby between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

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