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Measure W Citizens Oversight Committee

Measure W Public Safet

🏔 Annual Report

For the 2012-13 Fiscal Year

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- Marcos Glaros
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Committee Chair's Message

The role of the Citizens Oversight Committee is to determine whether the revenues and expenditures of the Measure W program are in compliance with the goals and plans presented to voters in 2004. As Chairman for the Measure W Oversight committee I am pleased to say that after reviewing the audited financial reports and discussing the expenditures with the responsible staff the Committee finds that the expenditure from the Measure W fund were used for enhancing public safety and were consistent with the purposes set forth in the Measure W Program Guidelines.

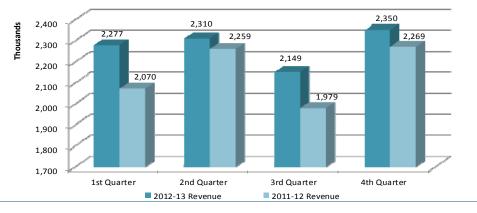
At the last meeting held on June 9, 2014, the Committee received program updates from both Police and Fire departments. The Police Chief shared the departments staffing vision and how the Measure W funds will assist the department to achieve a full force. In FY 2014-15 Budget, funding for 25 Police Officer positions is planned for the use of Measure W funds. The Fire Chief discussed a new response program being launched by the department that is funded through Measure W. The Committee received an overview of the FY 2014-15 Annual Budget for Measure W funds, the FY 2013-14 3rd Quarter revenues and expenditures report and the Independent Auditor's report for FY 2012-13 from staff.

I adjourned the meeting feeling that the requisite transparency and appropriate use of tax monies was in place. I feel privileged to be elected Chair of this committee and to serve with my fellow committee members to ensure the proper use of Measure W funding. I want to acknowledge the excellent work done by City of Stockton staff to provide information and coordinate our meeting and to the Police and Fire Chiefs for their continued support. No doubt there are significant challenges ahead for Stockton but by working together we can and will create a better, safer standard of living for all citizens.

Phillip Herrera, Committee Chair

Sales Tax Quarterly Revenues Collection

Sales tax revenue between FY 2007-08 and FY 2009-10 was impacted by the great recession and Measure W revenues had declined by over 19%. In FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13 Measure W revenues show a slow recovery. In FY 2012-13 there is a 5.9% increase over the prior year. The graph below compares FY 2012-13 quarterly revenues with prior year revenues.



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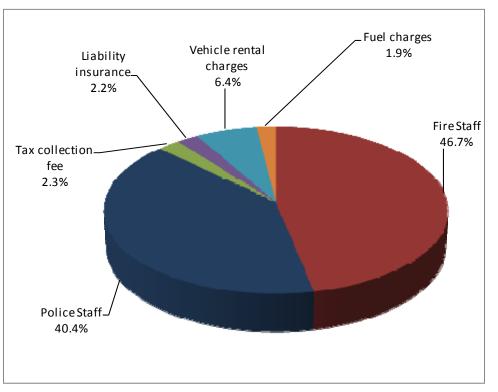
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Oversight Committee Review of Expenditures

In fiscal year 2012-13, Measure W funded an average of 22 police officers and 23 fire fighters. The approved Measure W tax provided \$9,085,896 in total revenues. The expenditure budget of \$8,307,008 was approved by Council on June 26, 2012. Of this a total of \$7,751,071 was expended during the fiscal year.

The expenditures for salary and benefit costs of Police and Fire personnel performing Measure W duties was 87.1% of the total expenditures. Vehicles and fuel and accounted for 8.4%, while the remaining 4.5% paid for Board of Equalization tax collection fees, insurance, and sales tax review services. Both the Police and Fire Departments remained under budget in their use of Measure W funds.



Fire Department Message

Measure W funds collected in FY 2012-13 increased by approximately 5.9% from prior fiscal year. Increased funds provided staffing for Fire Engine No. 13 and provided partial staffing for Ladder Truck No. 7 and Ladder

Truck No. 3. In 2013, the three fire companies had very minimal increases in annual call volume, with Engine 13 responding to 1,484 and Truck 7 responding to 1,200 emergency incidents. Truck 3 responded to 1,088 emergency incidents compared to 926 in 2012, a 17.5% increase from prior year.

Modifications to Fire labor agreements and increased revenues allowed funding for one additional firefighter in FY 2012-13. A total of 23 firefighter positions were funded. Measure W also continued to provide funding for the maintenance and operation of one fire engine.



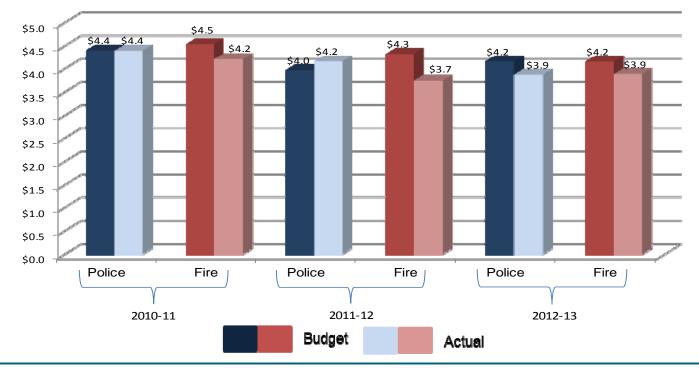
The funds helped sustain the level of fire protection and emergency services to the community in 2013.

Jeff Piechura, Fire Chief

Apparatus	Fires	Medical	Vehicle	Accident / Rescue	Hazmat / Other	Total
Engine 13	285	1,019	72	29	79	1,484
Truck 3	536	302	96	91	63	1,088
Truck 7	350	423	101	122	204	1,200

2013 Fire Incident Responses

Measure W – Budget to Actual Expenditures FY 2010-11 to FY 2012-13



Budget Vs Actual FY 10-11 to FY 12-13 (Amounts in Millions)

Police Department Message



Measure W funding is an important component of the Police Department's annual operating budget. In FY 2012-13 it augmented the Police force by 22 positions and paid not only for salary and benefits for those officers, but also for their vehicles, fuel, radios, and other safety equipment necessary to work in the field. The number of funded positions fluctuates year-to-year based on the tax revenue available and the cost of the positions. Currently, Measure W positions are assigned to the Field Services Division and handle dispatched calls-for-service on a 24/7 basis. In Fiscal Year 2012-13, the Police Department handled 328,964 calls for service, 126,299 of which were dispatched for officer assistance. The Police Officer positions funded by Measure W responded to over 16,345 of those calls, an average of 743 per officer.

Eric Jones, Police Chief

Public Safety Measure W Staffing – Annual Averages

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Police	38	39	21	25	24	22
Fire	27	27	20	23	22	23

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Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Change in Fund Balance 2012-13

The annual independent audit was conducted by Pun & McGeady LLP who issued their report dated February 18, 2014. The Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance-Measure W Public Safety Tax Fund for the year ended June 30, 2013 is presented below:

	Police	Fire	Total
Revenues:			
Sales tax - Measure W	\$4,542,948	\$4,542,948	\$9,085,896
Interest income	(1,811)	(1,765)	(3,576)
Total revenues	4,541,137	4,541,183	9,082,320
Expenditures - Public Safety:			
Payroll:			
Salaries	1,842,071	2,116,916	3,958,987
Benefits	1,288,533	1,505,584	2,794,117
Sub-total	3,130,604	3,622,500	6,753,104
Products and Services Purchased:			
Tax collection fee	90,250	90,250	180,500
Sales tax review services	229	229	458
Liability insurance	81,153	93,107	174,260
Vehicle rental charges	425,756	68,170	493,926
Radio rentals	-	-	-
Fuel charges	138,963	9,860	148,823
Sub-total	736,351	261,616	997,967
Total Expenditures	3,866,955	3,884,116	7,751,071
Net Change in Fund Balance	674,182	657,067	1,331,249
Fund Balance, Beginning of the Year	343,244	606,540	949,784
Fund Balance, End of the Year	\$1,017,426	\$1,263,607	\$2,281,033

Source: Independent Auditor's Reports and Financial Schedule for the year ended June 30, 2013