

RESOLUTION NO. 20726 (N.C.S.)

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE CITY COUNCIL'S ACTION TAKEN ON MARCH 31, 2015 WITH RESPECT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MEASURE G OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, SETTING THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND DEFINING THE SCOPE OF THE COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

WHEREAS, in order to restore services to achieve a safer, better Salinas, on November 4, 2015, the voters of Salinas approved Ordinance No. 2553 (commonly referred to as "Measure G") which imposed a one-cent general transactions and use tax within the City of Salinas; and

WHEREAS, in approving Ordinance No. 2553, the voters of Salinas made certain findings in support of the imposition of a one-cent transactions and use tax, all of which are incorporated herein by this reference and made a part of this Resolution as if fully set-forth herein; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2553 has a fifteen-year term and requires the City Council to establish an Oversight Committee comprised of either City residents or representatives of businesses located in the City of Salinas (Section 32-94 of Ordinance No. 2553); and

WHEREAS, in approving the Ordinance, the voters found the need for "[a] committee composed of members of the public [whom] would review and report on the revenue from the tax"; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2015, the City Council held a Study Session at which it took action to direct City staff to prepare a Resolution consistent with Section 32-94 of the Ordinance "establishing the composition of the committee required by subparagraph (b) [of Section 32-94], setting the terms of office of the committee members, and defining the scope of the committee's responsibilities, which at a minimum shall include reviewing the annual auditor's report regarding the receipt and use of the revenue from the tax authorized by this Chapter";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF SALINAS as follows:

SECTION 1. The action taken by the City Council on March 31, 2015, which action is more specifically set forth in this Resolution, is hereby ratified.

SECTION 2. The Oversight Committee required by Ordinance No. 2553 (Section 32-94), is hereby established and shall be referred to as the "Measure G Oversight Committee."

SECTION 3. The following persons are hereby identified as the initial appointees to the Measure G Oversight Committee, subject to the terms and the conditions of the Resolution:

Maureen Wruck
Sergio Sanchez
Al Espindola
Brigid McGrath-Massie

Cesar Lara
Dan Ortega
Juan Uranga

SECTION 4. The terms of office of the members of the Measure G Oversight Committee shall match their appointing Council member's term of office. Members of the Measure G Oversight Committee can be removed by their appointing Council member at any time and may be replaced by another resident of Salinas or another representative of a business located in Salinas. The Council member shall at an open and noticed City Council meeting publically announce the removal and the replacement prior to the replacement becoming a member of the Measure G Oversight Committee. Any member of the Measure G Oversight Committee may be removed by the vote of a majority of the members of the City Council.

SECTION 5. The initial Chair of the Measure G Committee shall be the Mayor's appointee and the initial Vice Chair of the Measure G Committee shall be the Vice-Mayor's appointee. The initial officers shall hold their positions for one year. Subsequent to that, the Measure G Committee shall upon a majority vote of the members select from among themselves a Chair and the Vice Chair to serve one-year terms.

SECTION 6. The Measure G Oversight Committee shall meet three times per year, as follows:

As set forth in Section 32-94 of the Ordinance, before May 30 of each year to "review the auditors' report, for each year in which the auditors prepare such a report, [for the purpose of issuing] a report to the City Council regarding the use of revenue [from Measure G] and such other matters as the City Council may assign."

Following the City Council's adoption of the annual budgets (Operating, Capital, Measure V, and Measure G) for the purpose of understanding how the City Council directed the expenditure of Measure G revenues.

Prior to the City Council's adoption of the annual budgets so that City staff can present information to the Committee on Measure G revenues and the Measure G expenditures proposed in the annual Measure G Budget. The Committee's comments on the information presented by City staff will be memorialized by the vote of a majority of the members of the Committee and the comments reflected in that vote will be presented to the City Council for its consideration.

The Committee may have additional meetings beyond these three, provided a majority of the Measure G Committee by action of the Committee requests an additional meeting(s) and the Committee's request is approved by the Mayor.

SECTION 7. City staff will prepare and will publish quarterly reports to inform the public on the receipt of Measure G revenues and the expenditure of Measure G funds as directed by the City Council through the adoption of the Measure G Budget.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of April 2015, by the following vote:


AYES: Councilmembers: Craig, De La Rosa, Lutes, McShane and Mayor Gunter

NOES: Councilmembers: Barrera and Castaneda

ABSENT: None

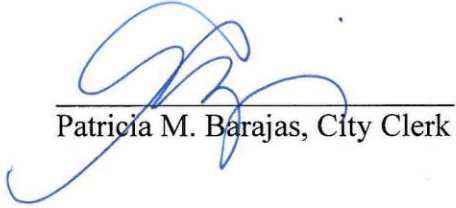
ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED:



Joe Gunter, Mayor

ATTEST:



Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk