

Measure B Citizens Review Panel Minutes

January 10, 2024 Fig Garden Regional Library

Members Present: Jim Poptanich, Linda Renn, Aimee Kawasaki, Debbie Ikeda, Deb

Janzen.

Staff Present: Sally Gomez, Joel Cadenasso, Mary Leal, and Karen Coletti

Regrets: Judith Pruess, Tammie Wenter, and Rhoda Gonzales.

Guest: None

1) Call to Order: Jim Poptanich called meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2) Introductions: Panel introduced themselves, as did the Interim County Librarian, Sally Gomez.

- 3) Adoption of Agenda: Motion to Approve agenda Ikeda; Second: Janzen.
- **4)** Approval of October 18, 2023, Minutes. Motion to Approve Minutes as presented Renn; Second: Janzen.
- 5) Coalinga Librarian Mary Leal.
 - a) Construction on the Coalinga Library this year, budget at 3.5 million. The Coalinga Library remodel consultant is Teter Inc. Chris Hale will oversee the project.
 - b) Programming and Community events, we did a wine walk, Almas Crafts, Coding Club, Gaming Mondays, Santa Pics, Fun Eats every Thursday, Christmas Bingo and other winter break programming.
 - c) The 2023 and 2024 years are the fixit years. We have done HVAC repairs, cameras, inside and outside lights, plumbing and furnishings.

6) Interim County Librarian – Sally Gomez.

- Our traveling exhibit of the Americans and the Holocaust was very successful. Over 3500 people attended. There were 6 additional programs and book discussions. This was funded by a grant that we received in 2018 and then everything was put on hold due to pandemic.
- We have the Pop-Up Prom Shop Event on February 3rd at the Fig Garden Regional Library. It provides the opportunity for the teens in the area to come and shop for everything from dresses, suits, shoes, and accessories to attend their proms, all free! Sally will email the group the flyer.
- We are working on a Marketing RFP.
- We sent out a survey and received great response. It went to staff, committees, and the public. We will be working on gathering all the information and will share when it is collected.
- The Infrastructure Building Forward Grant passed yesterday at the Board of Supervisors. This will be allocated to Central Library for lighting, roof, and electrical. This is going to be a challenge with the age of the building and parts hard to come by.
- The property swap is on the agenda at the Clovis City Council next Tuesday, January 16th, Sally will attend. Karen will send information on the agenda to the Citizens Review Panel.
- We are closing the RFP for Reedley.
- More news next month on the Politi Branch and the lease with the Rite Aid.

- Looking at a property for the Gillis Branch at Ashland and West.
- We are going through a audit right now due to the transition of County Librarian.

7) Measure B Sales Tax Collection Report – Joel Cadenasso

- Sales Tax Applied to operation Costs.
 - Coalinga-Huron Library fund 4520, the Library Director shared her updates on building reserves to pay for renovation and capital projects. Operational budget and costs are held independently in special districts.
 - Fresno Library fund 0107 are used for operations, materials collection, programming, facilities repairs and capital outlay projects.
 - Expenses through November 30, 2023, \$13.162 million with revenues collected \$7.927 million. Deficit for current year \$5.235 million.

Fresno Countywide Financials

- ➤ Budget recommended FY 23-24 Operational Budget: \$39.67 million. Estimated Fund Balance Reserve surplus \$4.65 million.
- Prior Year Expenses: FY 22-23 Expenses through June 30, 2023, \$33.626 million with revenues collected \$45.569 million.
- ➤ The budget passed in September 2023.

•	Fund balance surplus as of 6-30-23 was	\$79,510,175
•	Increase: Estimate Surplus for fiscal year 23-24	4,648,186
•	Decrease: Library Book Fund	(855,628)
		3,792,558
•	Clovis Library Total Project(includes inflation)	19,750,000

- Reedley Library Total Project(includes inflation) 10,275,000
- Increase Excess Measure B reserve into Fund Balance 7,275,000
- Total Capital Improvements 37,300,000
 Excess Fund Balance 46,002,733
 State Library: Grant match for Central 4,195,847
 Total project: 8,391,694
- Funded by excess Measure B collections in fiscal year 21-22 excess of \$12 million

41,806,886

Future Plans

\triangleright	Capital Outlay HW City Construction (increase inflation)	6,390,000
\triangleright	Facilities Contingency Reserve-Repairs and Upgrades	8,000,000
\triangleright	Additional Facilities Contingency Contribution	2,000,000
\triangleright	10% of Operations \$31 million Contingency	3,100,000
	Restricted Library donation for branches	1,181,624
\triangleright	Potential Politi additional lease & CAM – 1 year	359,000
	Total Future	21,030,624
	Fund Polonge offer above commitments estimate	20 776 262

Fund Balance after above commitments estimate 20,776,262

 There is sufficient annual excess surplus growth to cover potential annual increase in lease.

Monthly Tax Proceeds

- Currently Collection: The reports for Fresno, Coalinga, and combined Sales Tax Proceeds. (a) FY 23-34 Fresno \$8,690173. (b) FY 23-24 Coalinga-Huron \$213,135.
- ➤ Fresno: The FY 23-24 budgeted amount of \$26.2 million for total revenue represents a slight decrease of 0.9% (\$232,086) from FY 22-23 collections at \$26,432,086. FY 22-23 collections were \$282,977 more than in FY 21-22, a 1.08% increase.

- ➤ **Coalinga:** Prior year collections at \$648,272 revenue in FY 22-23, were %6,940 more than in FY 21-22, a 1.08% increase. Anticipate a slight decrease of 0.9% (about \$5,700) to \$642,600.
- ➤ Combined Measure B Collected: The last page reflects the history of actual receipts since FY 2012-13: Since FY 2013-14 (ten years, four months), the combined receipts are \$209.5 million. Since 1998, the combined receipts are \$387.3 million.
- 9) Next Meeting will be at Fig Garden Regional Library, March 6th, at 6:00 PM.
- **10)** Karen will remove Debbie Ikeda's home phone from roster.
- **11)** Everyone is in good standing with their attendance.
- **12)** Motion to Adjourn at 6:47 PM Renn; Seconded: Ikeda.