

LA Metro's Measure M Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee Seeks New Members

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Committee is panel of citizens who ensure tax revenues are spent effectively, efficiently

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is recruiting three members of the public to serve on the Measure M Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee, which was formed following the approval of Measure M in 2016 to monitor and ensure all tax measure revenues are spent for transportation purposes.

The seven-member committee, which meets four times a year, approves and directs the scope of work of auditors; prepares an annual report based on the annual audit results; reviews all proposed debt refinancing; and will also review any future proposed amendments to the Ordinance, including the Expenditure Plan.

"Serving on the committee has been a great way to follow along with critical transportation projects and obtain insight into how Metro works," said Linda Briskman, former Beverly Hills City Councilmember and six-year Measure M Oversight Committee Member. "The committee carefully monitors Measure M revenues to ensure that they're spent appropriately, and the knowledge committee members bring helps ensure our transportation projects are kept moving."

Paul Rajmaira has served on the Measure M Oversight Committee since Fall 2022. Paul

has executed a variety of large-scale engineering and construction projects in the transit, water, and petrochemical industries and currently works as a strategy consultant helping clients implement large capital programs. "Serving on the Measure M committee is a great way to contribute to the public and the community," said Paul. "Members contribute their professional expertise to help ensure that Measure M revenues are spent appropriately on critical transportation projects. I would encourage working and retired professionals to apply, as the time commitment is reasonable and giving back to LA County is rewarding."

Committee members serve five-year terms, and the three current vacancies are open to a retired Federal and/or State Judge, a Municipal/Public/Finance/Budget Professional and a Transit (Operations and Labor Practices) Professional.

Interested individuals can visit <https://www.metro.net/about/measure-m/#measure-m-independent-taxpayer-oversight-committee> for more information and to submit an application to become a member.

About Measure M

LA County voters approved Measure M with 71.15% support in 2016. The half-cent sales tax measure funds projects to ease traffic, repair local streets and sidewalks, expand public transportation, earthquake retrofit bridges and subsidize transit fares for students, seniors and people with disabilities.

In addition, Measure M partially funds many Metro projects, as well as making funding available to local jurisdictions via the Metro Subregional Program, Metro Active Transportation, Transit and First/Last Mile Program and through Local Return.

For additional information about Measure M, please visit <https://www.metro.net/about/measure-m/>.

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