

## MINUTES

Independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee

January 15, 2026 – 4:00 pm

801 12<sup>th</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor – Sacramento, CA 95814

Or join the meeting virtually instructions follow in the addendum.

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Voting Members: Robert Holderness, Chair  
Jose Luis Caceres  
Geraldine Krajewski

Ex-Officio Members: Mark Aspesi (Sacramento County Auditor-Controller designee)  
Kevin Bewsey (STA Executive Director)

1. Call to order. 4:01 PM
  - a. City of Elk Grove Staff in attendance
    - i. Robert French
    - ii. Christina Castro
  - b. Caltrans Staff in attendance
    - i. Daniel Kwong
    - ii. Jessica Amgwerd
2. Comments from the public regarding matters not on the agenda
  - a. No Comments Received
3. Review and approve minutes of the November 6, 2025, meeting ◀ Approved as amended.
4. Executive Director summary of STA Board meeting and any current initiatives.
  - a. November 13, 2025
    - i. Receive Information On The Activities Of The New Transportation Funding Subcommittee, Including The Shift In Focus From A 2026 To A 2028 Ballot Measure And Related Efforts.
    - ii. Received presentation on the Annual Audited Financial Statements from the ITOC and Approve the Annual Audit.
    - iii. Received presentation on a Survey of Likely Voters.
5. City of Elk Grove Presentation – Robert French and Christina Castro
  - a. Robert French presented on the Cities Pavement Management Program (PMP) highlighting their approach and their success.
  - b. Christina Castro presented on the use of their Measure A funds in the following programs highlighting their use in the next five years and how these funds were leveraged to obtain additional grant funds:
    - i. Traffic Control and Safety Program,

- ii. Safety, Streetscaping, Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities Program, and
  - iii. City Street and County Road Maintenance Program
- 6. Review Measure A Ongoing Quarterly Reports – For the Quarter Ending September 30, 2025
  - a. No Comments
- 7. Review Measure A Capital Status Reports – For the Quarter Ending September 30, 2025
  - a. No Comments
- 8. Review STA Budget to Actuals – For the Quarter Ending September 30, 2025
  - a. No Comments
- 9. Discuss consideration of a Measure A Awards Program.

The ITOC asked staff to consider the public relations value of an awards program, including whether it would create opportunities for photo opportunities, earned media, and storytelling. The ITOC requested that staff provide a more detailed concept and transmit it to the ITOC for review. The ITOC also asked staff to obtain input from a public relations firm and return with an updated concept for discussion at the next ITOC meeting.
- 10. Review US Highway 50 HOV Lanes Third Amendment Staff Report
  - a. No Concerns.
- 11. Discuss Contract Extensions
  - a. STA-21-CAE-002 City of Sacramento Intermodal SVS Governance
  - b. STA-22-AE-001 City of Sacramento – Approved as part of the November 6, 2025 ITOC Meeting.
    - i. A-SGIP-CS-4 - Stockton Blvd Complete Street
    - ii. A-SGIP-CS-3 - Franklin Blvd Complete Street
  - c. STA-22-AE-005 County of Sacramento
    - i. SGIP-SAC-1 – Greenback Lane Complete Street Phase 1
    - ii. SGIP-SAC-2 – Arden Way Complete Streets Phase 2

Staff presented information on the proposed contract extensions, and the ITOC indicated it was comfortable with the changes.
- 12. City of Sacramento I Street Bridge Financing Update
  - a. Staff presented updates to the I Street Bridge financing approach, including the revised assumption of \$40 million in annual reimbursements and the completion of an eligibility review. Staff also shared a draft fact sheet summarizing these updates. The ITOC provided several suggestions to improve the fact sheet's readability and use of plain language. Overall, the ITOC expressed appreciation for the updates, noting that the revised approach improves the financing structure by shortening the reimbursement timeline and reducing interest costs.
- 13. Measure A Performance and Compliance Audit 2023-24 and 2024-25 Update
  - a. Continued to next meeting

14. Aclarian ERP System Contracting Update

- a. Continued to next meeting

15. Future Meeting Topics:

- a. I Street Bridge Financing Agreements
- b. Measure A Performance and Compliance Audit 2023-24 and 2024-25

16. Comments of ITOC Members

- a. The ITOC discussed opportunities to replicate the success of Elk Grove's Pavement Management Program (PMP) on a countywide basis. Members suggested combining transparency and accountability with positive incentives. Examples discussed included identifying PMP best practices, developing a scoring framework, and evaluating each agency's PMP and Pavement Condition Index (PCI). Members also suggested exploring incentives, such as restricting certain funding opportunities to agencies that meet a minimum performance threshold.

Adjourn 6:00 PM

◀ *Denotes items that require Committee action*

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