



CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Membership Application

KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR TAX DOLLARS

Measure L is the Transportation Ordinance and Expenditure Plan approved by Stanislaus County voters on November 8, 2016. The measure raises the sales tax in Stanislaus County by one-half cent for a total period of 25 years to improve our local streets and roads, improve connectivity and reduce congestion. This money is administered by the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) and pays for specific voter-approved transportation projects for local street and road improvements, and regional projects and transit programs specified in the Plan.

Measure L calls for an independent Citizens Oversight Committee to oversee compliance with the Ordinance as specified in the Transportation Ordinance and Plan.

The responsibilities of the 10-member Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee are to:

- Ensure all transportation revenue collected from Measure L is spent in accordance with the Measure L Ordinance and Expenditure Plan;
- Hold public meetings as necessary regarding the expenditure and status of funds generated by Measure L;
- Review independent audits of the expenditure of tax funds and implementation of the programs and projects in the Expenditure Plan; and
- Issue an annual report on its findings regarding compliance with the requirements of the Expenditure Plan and the Ordinance to the StanCOG Board.

HOW ARE MEMBERS CHOSEN?

Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee candidates are chosen by the City Council or Board of Supervisors they represent. All applications are sent to StanCOG and then will be provided to the member agencies for their review. Staff at each agency will individually screen all applications, and conduct interviews and recommend candidates for consideration by the elected officials.

Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee members represent each of StanCOG's member agencies. Each agency appoints one member to represent its residents.

MEMBER VACANCIES

The terms for the committee members began July 1, 2017. Currently, there are vacancies for the representative for the City of Waterford and for the City of Ceres for terms that expire June 30, 2020. This is a volunteer position and no monetary compensation is paid to committee members. The chairperson is selected by the members of the committee.

WHO CAN APPLY TO SERVE?

Any Stanislaus County citizen 18 years or older may apply to serve on the Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee. Potential candidates will be reviewed on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Commitment and ability to participate in Citizens Oversight Committee meetings for a three to five-year term from July 1, 2017 to between June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2022. The Committee will maintain time and meeting requirements. The Committee will meet quarterly.
2. Demonstrated interest and history of participation in community activities, with special emphasis on transportation-related activities.
3. Lack of financial conflict of interest with respect to the allocation of sales tax revenue generated by Measure L. All Citizens Oversight Committee members are required to sign a conflict of interest form when accepting appointment.
4. Elected or appointed city, district, county, state or federal officials are not eligible to serve.
5. Members of any StanCOG Standing Committee or other Authority are not eligible to serve.

TO APPLY:

Please print and mail completed application to:
StanCOG Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee
1111 I Street, Suite 308
Modesto, CA 95354

For more information, please call StanCOG at
(209) 525-4600



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APPLICATION FOR MEASURE L CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
Please type or print using dark ink. Additional sheets may be attached if needed.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Business Address: _____
Street City Zip Code

Residence Address: _____
Street City Zip Code

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Present Employment Status: Employed Unemployed Retired

Present Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Ethnic Origin (optional): _____ How long have you lived in the County? _____ year(s)

Are you a registered voter in Stanislaus County? Yes No

Please select the jurisdiction where you live:

- Ceres Modesto Oakdale Riverbank Waterford
- Hughson Newman Patterson Turlock Stanislaus County

Do you have any possible conflict of interest with respect to the allocation of Measure L revenues? Yes No
If so, please explain.

Are you currently an elected or appointed officer of any public entity? (Note: All public officers shall complete an intent to resign form.) Yes No
If so, please explain.

Are you related to or closely associated with any elected official or public employee? Yes No
If so, please state the nature of the association.

Have you ever been convicted of malfeasance in office, or of any felony? Yes No
If so, please explain.



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As a member of any profession or organization, or as a holder of any office, have you ever been suspended, disbarred, or otherwise disqualified? Yes No

If so, please explain.

Do you personally have any past or pending issues related to development or transportation in Stanislaus County or any City in the County? Yes No

If so, please explain.

Have you ever been involved in a lawsuit with StanCOG? If so, please explain. Yes No

Do you possess research abilities, including the capability to assess and analyze facts? Yes No

Is there any reason that you may be biased and not objective if you are chosen to serve as a member of the Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee? Yes No

While no specific time commitment is predetermined, are you willing to make a conscientious effort for a period of three years to give membership on this committee a priority and participate as necessary? Yes No

If you are presently active or have been active in the past five years in any organization, please give the organization name, nature of your activities and duties, and appropriate dates. (Attach sheet if necessary)

In what transportation-related activities have you been involved?

What do you know about Measure L?

What specialized skill or expertise would you bring to the Citizens Oversight Committee?



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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

List highest grade completed, any degrees you hold and the college/university attended and date of graduation.

- Some High School
- High School Graduate
- Some College
- College Graduate

EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND:

List employment history for the last five years, including positions and titles held.

How did you hear about the Citizens Oversight Committee?

- Online
- Website
- Newspaper
- Facebook / Twitter / Instagram

Other: _____

Why do you wish to be considered for membership on the Citizens Oversight Committee?

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY JUNE 30, 2018

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I hereby declare the information provided in this Application for the Measure L Citizens Oversight Committee is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that my statements may be verified and I give permission to do so.

Date

Signature