



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**County Manager's Office**



**DATE:** February 6 , 2013  
**BOARD MEETING DATE:** February 12, 2013  
**SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING:** None  
**VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** John L. Maltbie, County Manager  
**SUBJECT:** **Measure A Board Workshop: Second Session**

**RECOMMENDATION**

Provide direction regarding Measure A spending priorities to include in the development of the Fiscal Year 2013-15 budget.

**BACKGROUND**

The Board held a workshop on January 15 to discuss spending priorities for Measure A funds. The Measure A half-cent sales tax was approved by the voters in November and will begin on April 1, 2013. Actual receipts will begin in June 2013. It is expected that about \$64 million will be generated for the full fiscal year FY 2013-14, increasing to \$75 million in FY 2017-18. Measure A authority will sunset in 10 years, and requires the creation of an Oversight Committee to perform annual audits of revenues generated.

Your Board took public testimony and discussed individual preferences on how the limited-term funds should be spent. Supervisors Tissier and Slocum were assigned to a subcommittee that will organize the work of the Oversight Committee. Your Board directed the County Manager to prepare a Resolution designating members to the Oversight Committee by May 31, 2013; create online dashboards to show community impact of Measure A funds; and prepare annual reports on how Measure A funds were spent.

**DISCUSSION**

The subcommittee has met once and directed staff to prepare a work plan, to include lessons learned from the Community College's recent experience with its bond oversight committee, additional workshops to ensure diverse community participation in identifying priorities, and a business plan that includes revenue forecasting for the next ten years, identification of service "gaps", performance measures attached to allocations, outreach plan, and reporting process that enables mid-course corrections to improve results. The County Manager's Office and Information Services Department are working on the online dashboard and Open Data Policy using the community goals and indicators approved by your Board on January 29. An initial version of the Community Impact dashboard will be presented to the Board and public for review in March.

***Initial Spending Priorities and Recommended Next Steps***

For direction, we have listed the priorities discussed by the Board at the January 15 workshop:

	<b>Measure A Spending Priorities (will include performance/community impact measures)</b>	<b>Priority Y/N</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>
1	Ensuring hospitals and emergency rooms are seismically safe and remain open		Develop an agreement between the County and Seton Medical Center for the Board's consideration
2	Transportation for County clients, patients		Develop an agreement between the County and SamTrans for the Board's consideration
3	Mental health intervention services		
4	Fire prevention and response		
5	Child safety/development		
6	Parks Strategic Plan		
7	Healthcare for low-income children, seniors and the disabled		
8	Investments to reduce ongoing operating costs/generate new revenues: new technologies, energy efficiencies, debt repayment, additional contributions to reduce retirement and retiree health unfunded liabilities and annual contributions		
9	Infrastructure Catch-Up – to address deferred maintenance needs in communications, technology and facilities infrastructure		
10	Creating an agile workforce – skills assessments, training plans, training and development opportunities, continuous process improvement efforts with performance metrics		
	Other priorities (please specify):		