

ORDINANCE NO. 2916

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDLANDS ADDING CHAPTER 2.72, TITLED “MEASURE T (2020) ADVISORY COMMITTEE,” TO THE REDLANDS MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH A CITIZENS’ MEASURE T (2020) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2020, the City Council voted unanimously to introduce Ordinance No. 2913, adding Chapter 3.18 to the Redlands Municipal Code, which would enact a one-cent general transactions and use tax for submission to the voters of the City of Redlands and;

WHEREAS, subsequently, on July 7, 2020 the City Council approved the second reading of Ordinance No. 2913 and also unanimously approved Resolution No. 8111, ordering the submission of an ordinance proposing a one-cent general transactions and use tax to the qualified voters of the City of Redlands for the November 2020 General Election; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 8111 and Ordinance No. 2913, the City Council identified the fiscal constraints set upon the City by both rising costs of the City’s aging infrastructure, and increases in 911 emergency calls, crime rates, and fire risks for the community; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2913 contains provisions for the establishment of a citizens’ advisory committee for the purpose of providing independent advisory review of revenues generated by the transactions and use tax; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes a citizens’ advisory committee established to serve as an advisory body to the City Council will empower its members to periodically review the City’s use of the transactions and use tax revenue, in keeping with the needs expressed in Ordinance No. 2913 and the language contained in the ballot measure expressed in Resolution No. 8111;

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDLANDS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 2.72 of the Redlands Municipal Code, titled “Measure T (2020) Advisory Committee,” is hereby added to read as follows:

“Chapter 2.72
MEASURE T (2020) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- 2.72.010: Established:
- 2.72.020: Membership:
- 2.72.030: Members; Forfeiture of Office by Absence:
- 2.72.040: Organization:
- 2.72.050: Duties and Responsibilities:

2.72.010: ESTABLISHED:

There is hereby established a citizens' Measure T (2020) advisory committee to serve in an advisory capacity to the city council for the purpose of providing independent advisory review of the proposed expenditure of revenues generated by the City's transactions and use tax. For purposes of this Chapter and its implementation, the committee established by this Chapter may be commonly referred to as the "Measure T Advisory" or "Measure T Oversight" committee, with no distinction for legal purposes or otherwise.

2.72.020: MEMBERSHIP:

The citizens' Measure T (2020) advisory committee shall consist of seven (7) members who shall each, with the exception of the two (2) members representing the city's employee bargaining units, serve for a four (4) year term and, until his or her successor is appointed. The city's employee bargaining unit members shall each serve for one fiscal year beginning July 1 of each year and ending June 30 of the following year.

The five (5) citizen members of the committee shall each be selected from one council district, and be appointed by the council member of that corresponding district, with the approval of the city council. One (1) member of the committee shall represent the public safety employee bargaining units, rotating each fiscal year between police and fire, and appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. One (1) member of the committee shall represent the remaining non-public safety employee bargaining units, rotating each fiscal year between the five (5) non-public safety employee bargaining units, and appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the city council.

Vacancies on the committee shall be filled by appointment as set forth above for the unexpired portion of the term. No person representing a council district shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms unless appointed to an additional term by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of the city council. The committee members shall serve without compensation, shall each be a resident of the city with the exception of the two members representing the City's employee bargaining units, and shall be neither a member of any other standing commission, board or committee of the city nor an employee thereof. Any member of the committee may be removed from the committee prior to the end of his or her term by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of the city council.

2.72.030: MEMBERS; FORFEITURE OF OFFICE BY ABSENCE:

Any committee member who is absent from any three (3) consecutive meetings of the committee, unless excused from such attendance by consent of the committee expressed by action of record in its minutes, shall automatically forfeit his or her office as a member of the committee. The vacancy so created shall be filled pursuant to section 2.72.020 of this chapter.

2.72.040: ORGANIZATION:

The committee shall annually elect a chairperson and a vice chairperson and there is no prohibition to the number of terms a member may serve in either capacity. The committee shall

keep records of all of its proceedings and actions. All meetings of the committee shall be publicly noticed and held in accordance with law. Four (4) members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

The City Manager, or his or her designee, shall provide the committee with technical assistance and shall provide administrative assistance in support of its purpose and sufficient resources to publicize the conclusions of the committee, including any periodic reports to the City Council.

2.72.050: DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The committee shall advise the city council regarding the use of transactions and use tax revenue, according to the priorities set forth in each fiscal year adopted budget. The duties of the committee shall include the following:

- A. Review, on an annual basis, the City's expenditure of revenues received from the one percent (1%) transactions and use tax imposed by Measure T (2020);
- B. Act in an advisory capacity to the city council in all other policy matters pertaining to Measure T (2020) funds;
- C. Present an annual written report to the city council, which shall include a summary of the committee's proceedings and activities during the most recent review period. The annual written report shall also include, but not limited to, a response to the following questions.
 - 1. Does the current audited financial information reflect that Measure T (2020) revenue was collected and appropriately spent in accordance with the city's corresponding fiscal year budget plan?
 - 2. Does the city's most recently adopted general fund budget promote and maintain the City's core services, including public safety?"

Section 2. The Mayor shall sign this ordinance and the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause it, or a summary of it, to be published once in the Redlands Daily Facts, a newspaper of general circulation within the City, and thereafter, this ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Paul W. Foster, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk

I, Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk, City of Redlands, hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the City Council at the regular meeting thereof, held on the _____ day of _____ 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Jeanne Donaldson, City Clerk