



Measure B Citizens Review Panel

August 19, 2026

6:00 PM

Fig Garden Regional Library
3071 W Bullard Avenue
Fresno, CA 93711

Members

At Large: Bradley Miranda
Term Expires 1/4/2027

District 1: Vacant

District 1: Marcia Sablan
Term Expires 1/4/2027

District 2: Vacant

District 2: Jim Poptanich
Term Expires 1/8/2029

District 3: Debbie Ikeda
Term Expires 1/8/2029

District 3: Deb Janzen
Term Expires 1/8/2029

District 4: Vacant

District 4: Linda Renn
Term Expires 1/4/2027

District 5: Judith Preuss
Term Expires 1/8/2029

District 5: Aimee Kawasaki
Term Expires 1/8/2029

**Members may continue to
serve until reappointed.**

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Adoption of Agenda
- 3) Approval of Minutes of January 21, 2026. *Attachment 1*
- 4) Fresno County Librarian – **Sally Gomez**
 - a) General Library Update
- 5) Coalinga Librarian – **Jeannette Davies**
 - a) General Library Update
- 6) Measure B Sales Tax Collection Report– **Joel Cadenasso**
 - a) Update – Fresno and Coalinga *Attachment 2*
- 7) Planning for the next meeting
 - a) Date
 - b) Location
- 8) Roster *Attachment 3*
- 9) Attendance *Attachment 4*
- 10) Adjourn



Measure B Citizens Review Panel

Minutes

May 20, 2026

Fig Garden Regional Library

Members Present: Jeannette Davies, Deborah Ikeda, Deborah Janzen, Aimee Kawasaki, ,
James Poptanich, Judith Preuss, Linda Renn, Marcia Sablan
Staff Present: Sally Gomez, Joel Cadenasso, and Vera Scott-Slater
Regrets: Bradley Miranda and Tammie Wenter
Guest: James Delgado and Brooke Payton

- 1) **Call to Order:** Jim Poptanich called meeting to order at 6:07 PM.
- 2) **Adoption of Agenda:** Motion to Approve agenda **Ikeda**; Second: **Janzen**.
- 3) **Approval of January 21, 2026 Minutes.** Linda Renn requested correction that was approved and accepted by Chairman Poptanich. Motion to Approve Minutes **Ikeda**; Second: **Janzen**.
- 4) **Fresno County Librarian – Sally Gomez**
 - Reported the promotion of two (2) Library Assistants; and the continued recruitment for a Sr Library Assistant to operate the Book Mobile.
 - Update: Majority of Central Branch Library staff have relocated to the new 'L' Street location to accommodate renovations that include asbestos abatement. Some divisions will also be housed at the Bitwise Beehive and the building formerly known as the Smoke Shop (next door to Politi Branch Library).
 - Update: 'New' Politi Library is awaiting internet access and progressing well. There is a current work order with a County-contracted vendor (EverOn). The closure of vendor Baker & Taylor has limited access to filling book orders. The opening of this branch is anticipated to be after the conclusion of the Summer At Your Library (SAYL) event.
 - Update: Selma Library is awaiting fire/sprinkler permitting before Library staff may re-occupy.
 - Update: Clovis and Reedley Libraries are progressing well with projected completion in 2027.
 - This year's SAYL will be partnering with the Chaffee Zoo and featuring the theme 'Go Wild For Reading'. Library branches will be adapting/featuring an animal to highlight.
 - The Library will not host a Pride booth at the Pride Parade; but, advocates have reported that they will be present. AB1825-CA Freedom to Read Act protects books from being restricted and/or banned.
- 5) **Coalinga/Huron Librarian – Jeannette Davies**
 - Children's Specialist position is being filled.
 - Working with local schools to bridge the gap of using the public library instead of spending money on building school libraries.
- 6) **Measure B Sales Tax Collection Report –Joel Cadenasso**

Fresno Countywide Financials

 - Expenses: March 31, 2026 of \$28.21 million with revenues collected \$28.45 million; and operating surplus is \$240,000.
 - Setting aside \$2,135,000 for major facilities projects; total reserved \$12,135,000.

- Chairman Poptanich inquired about branch deposits; in response by County Sr Accountant Joel Cadenasso the amount of \$188,433 included photo copies, faxes, fines, and lost books.
- Goals for FY2025-26:
 - Central Library- Logistics and temporary space collaboration with other County departments // Engineer recommendation includes basement abatement and ceiling upgrades // Fire suppression modernization covered by grant// New LED lights upgrades covered by grant // Major repair on secured parking lot fence and gate motorized unit.
- Deborah Janzen questioned whether project delays were creating additional costs; in response by County Sr Accountant Joel Cadenasso delays were not creating additional costs.
- Operational budget is \$44.7 million. Estimated Fund Balance surplus at \$1,655,238.
- The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report is now available at the County's Auditor Controller Treasurer Tax Collector's website.
- Beginning Fund Balance 07/01/2025 was \$95,745,432.
- Total remaining cost of both the Clovis and Reedley Libraries is \$41.35 million.
- The Building Forward Grant's state match amount of \$3,409,871 will be in addition to the non-grant expenses estimated at \$4.1 million.
- Selma Library's fire suppression remaining costs \$167,718.
- Estimated costs for New Politi startup and furnishings \$2 million.
- Deborah Janzen questioned whether the Library owned the property next to the Betty Rodriguez Regional Library (formerly Baskin Robbins); the response affirmed ownership.
- Chairman Poptanich questioned the estimated cost of \$300,000 for the fencing of the mobile literacy fleet.
- Highway City contingency for construction is \$7 million.
- The total contingency amount set aside is \$30,324,730.
- Fund Balance after all commitments estimate is \$11,569,913.

Measure B Revenues-Fresno & Coalinga Monthly Tax Proceeds

- Revenue in the current year has increased 1.72%. FY 24-25 revenue increased by 1.73%.
- Current Collection: The reports for Fresno, Coalinga, and combined Sales Tax Proceeds. FY 25-26 Fresno is \$15,744,258. FY 25-26 Coalinga-Huron \$371,520.
- Fresno: Anticipate that Measure B Sales Tax revenue will be around the FY 25-26 budgeted amount of \$25.7 million.
- This represents a decrease of 3.2% (\$860,212) from FY 24-25 collections at \$26,560,212 collections were increased by \$470,969 over FY 23-24, a 1.8% increase.
- Coalinga: Prior year collections at \$626,745 revenue in FY 24-25 were \$8,856 less than in FY 23-24, a 1.39% decrease. Anticipate a decrease of 3.2% (about \$24,000) to \$606,500 in FY 25-26.
- Combined Measure B Collected: The last page reflects the history of actual receipts since FY 2015-16 (ten years, seven months), the combined receipts are \$238.9 million. Since 1998, the combined receipts are \$448.4 million.
- Explained possible affects of Governor's proposed electronically delivered prewritten software sales and use tax on Measure B revenues beginning 01/01/27.
- Last two fiscal year property taxes counted for 36% of revenue; and Measure B sales tax counted for 55%.

10) Suggested next CRP meeting convene on Wednesday, August 19, 2026 @ 6pm at Fig Garden Regional Library.

11) Everyone is in good standing with their attendance.

12) Motion to Adjourn at 6:56PM.

Measure B Handout

August 19, 2026

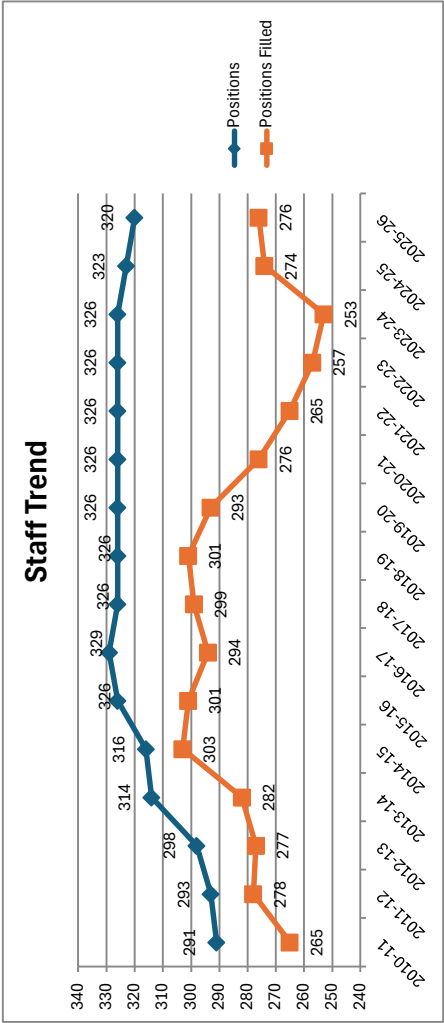
Sales Tax Applied to Operations Costs

The Auditor-Controller holds Measure B Sales tax in two separate governmental funds for library entities. The Measure B ordinance provides funding for the two Library entities within County of Fresno: Fresno and Coalinga-Huron. The Measure B tax provides funding for operations, library materials, programs, and library construction within County.

1. Fund 4530 -Coalinga-Huron Library. The Director shares updates on building the reserves to pay for renovation and capital projects. Operational budget and costs are held independently in special district.
2. Fresno County Library
 - a. Operations: Fund 0107 for Fresno Library. All revenue funds are used for operations, materials collection, programming, facilities repairs and capital outlay projects.
 - i. Expenses through June 30, 2026, \$39.8 million with revenues collected \$51.29 million. Operations surplus for FY 25-26 is \$11.49 million. Fund balance decrease for FY 25-26 is \$9.63 million due to capital outlay projects.
 - b. Facilities Planning. The library continues to set aside each year's funds to address facilities projects to be complete within each budget year (\$2 -\$3million each year) and additional reserves set aside for future facilities projects in the Fund Balance.
 - i. Major Facility Repair & Replacement Projects for Facilities Coordinator-Budget Year
 1. YR 24-25 \$2.3 million
 2. YR 25-26 \$2.4 million

- c. Long Term Major Facility Reserves area based on 5 % of Total Taxes from property and library sales tax revenues Estimates. The Long-Term Reserves as of FY 25-26 set aside total \$12.135 million. The table below provides the details for the current fiscal year.

Long Term - Major Facilities Projects					
Reserves for Future Major Facilities Projects and Improvements					
Beginning from FY 22-23		\$ 5,947,750			
Revenues	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27	
Sales Tax	26,200,000	25,900,000	25,700,000	26,100,000	
Property Tax	13,945,000	15,000,000	17,000,000	18,000,000	
Grand Total	40,145,000	40,900,000	42,700,000	44,100,000	
	5%	5%	5%	5%	
Additional Set Aside	2,007,250	2,045,000	2,135,000	2,205,000	
Total Increase		4,052,250			
Total Long Term Reserve YTD		10,000,000	12,135,000	14,340,000	



Total Income			
Budget	Total Income	% Collected	
\$ 46,332,101	\$ 51,289,795	111%	

Excess Reserves			
Excess(+)			
Fund Balance/(-)			
Plan Excess: \$1,655,238	\$ 11,492,837	Withdrawal	

Branch Deposits			
6/30/2026		6/30/2025	
\$	\$ 273,545	\$	247,117

Fines & Lost Book/Items at Branches			
6/30/2026			
Overdue Fines	\$ 67,782		
Lost Book/Items	\$ 5,073		

Facility Capital Outlay Projects			
Budget	Costs	% Used	% Collected
	19,270,371		
41,535,616		46.4%	
Details			
Clovis & Reedley		31,714,616	remaining costs
Central Branch Non Grant Repairs			
Other Capital Outlay Projects		2,200,000	
Interior Start Up-Clovis & Reedley		3,321,000	
		4,300,000	Clovis & Reedley included in Harris
		\$ 41,535,616	

Total Expense			
Budget	Total Expenses	% Used	
\$ 44,676,863	\$ 39,796,959	89%	
\$ 41,535,616	\$ 19,270,371	46%	

Library Operations
Capital Projects

Operations Expense Major Categories			
Staffing	\$ 25,319,343		
Operations	6,064,062		
Branch Leases	1,380,884		
Security Services	1,228,141		
Marketing Campaigns/Facebook	335		
Library Materials & Acquisitions	3,200,000		
Chair Replacement	-		
ITSD Technology	142,760		
Technology Service Plan	50,000		
Community Engagement	127,781		
Literacy/Bookmobile	362,430		
Delivery Services	249,353		
Maintenance	492,972		
One Time Facilities	1,178,899		
		\$ 39,796,959	
*Staffing includes SJVLS & Admin support			

SJVLS Delivery & Sorting Contract			
Services thru January		\$ 275,602	
YTD Number of Miles		81,571	
		Route	

Future Politi			
Current Politi		5,000 sq	
Annual Lease Cost	65,900	ft:\$1.08 sq ft	
New Politi Lease			
Annual Lease Cost	684,167	21,440 sq ft	
*Move in date in 2026	\$2.62		

Grants			
Lunch at the Library		\$ 4,000	
EmPOWERing Grant		non-monetary	
Building Forward II	Central	\$ 4,195,847	
Match Funds	Central	\$ 4,195,847	
		\$ 8,391,694	

Fresno Countywide Financials

Narrative

1. Adopted Budget FY 25-26 Operational Budget: \$44.7 million. Estimated Fund Balance Reserve surplus \$1,655,238.
2. Prior Year Expenses: FY 24-25 Expenses through June 30, 2025, \$37.57 million with revenues collected \$49.07 million. Operating surplus is \$11.5 million. Fund Balance increase for FY 24-25 \$4.32 million.
3. The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for FY 24-25 is now available at the County website. Feel free to visit under Auditor-Controller/Treasurer to view year-end financial statements for the County of Fresno by fiscal year and County budget.
4. Fresno Library Past History Summary.
Existing costs based on 1998-99 (pre-Measure B funding) provided by Property Taxes and MOE.

	Revenue Property Taxes	Revenue Sales Tax Collections Fresno	Excess Surplus Unused By Year	Fund Balance Available Combined (includes donation)
<i>FY Initial reserve planning contingency</i>				
FY 15-16	10,614,896	16,774,627	3,095,865	17,747,000
FY 16-17	11,037,353	16,376,083	3,013,905	20,373,000
FY 17-18	11,637,261	17,674,380	4,965,980	29,169,000
FY 18-19	12,228,689	19,030,858	5,308,642	38,521,000
FY 19-20	12,788,270	19,050,876	7,185,232	45,815,000
FY 20-21	13,812,193	23,059,913	10,135,376	55,478,000
FY 21-22	14,426,235	26,149,109	12,370,454	67,848,454
FY 22-23	15,664,053	26,432,086	11,661,721	79,510,175
FY 23-24	16,954,549	26,089,244	11,921,627	91,423,359
FY 24-25	17,782,883	26,560,212	4,322,073	95,745,432
FY 25-26 (est.)	18,987,941	27,081,115	(8,745,432)	87,000,000
FY 26-27 (est.)	18,000,000	26,100,000	2,030,117	89,030,117

5. Fund Balance Surplus Plan (Measure B Savings) – planning and strategies continue below.

	Present Plan for withdrawal	Amount
a Fund Balance Surplus 6-30-25		95,745,432
b Estimated Decrease: Deficit for fiscal year 25-26		(9,518,703)
c Estimated Decrease: Library Book Fund		(112,064)
d Adjustment		885,335
	Org 7511 Fund Balance Estimate to Decrease	(8,745,432)
	Beginning Fund Balance as of July 1, 2026	87,000,000
e Anticipated Operations Surplus FY 26-27 Recommended Budget		2,310,790
f Planned Withdrawals Donation Fund		280,673
		<u>2,030,117</u>
	Estimated Fund Balance June 30, 2027	89,030,117
	<u>Less Committed Projects</u>	
g Clovis Library Total Project (includes inflation estimate) 26,270 sq ft \$25m less amount paid		12,143,476
*Award contract Harris Construction -December 3, 2024.		
Public Works design and contract administration -Clovis & Reedley project		1,917,850
*Interior Furniture & Start up		1,800,000
h Reedley Library Total Project (includes inflation estimate) 13,994 sq. ft. \$13.9m less amount paid		5,614,188
*Award contract Harris Construction -December 3, 2024.		
*Interior Furniture & Start up		1,000,000
Other Capital Project Commitments FY 26-27		1,006,384
	Total Capital Improvements	<u>23,481,898</u>
	Sum Total Present Plan	
	Excess Fund Balance	<u>65,548,219</u>
i	State Library: Grant Match Building Forward Facilities Improvement	1,894,622
	Total Project: \$8,391,694 Completed Prepaid Portion \$4,602,450	
	Total Excess Fund Balance Sum Total	<u>63,653,597</u>
	<u>Current Projects through June 2027</u>	
j Initial Collection Development (Clovis, Reedley, Selma, Leo Politi, Tower District)		650,000
k Public Branch - Other Improvements and Upgrades: New Politi Remaining Facility Startup		25,700
Public Branch Start Up - Tower District		275,000
l Public Branch - Replacement Furinshings		1,800,000
		<u>2,750,700</u>
m Restricted Library donation for branches		801,732
n Contingency 3-month operational reserves		9,300,000
	<u>Long Term Planning Reserves</u>	
o Facilities Contingency Reserve – Major Repairs/upgrades (thru 2026)		12,135,000
p Additional Facilities Contingency Contribution this fiscal year		2,205,000
		<u>14,340,000</u>
	<u>Future Development Estimated Reserves</u>	
q Renovation - Baskin Robbins		3,000,000
r Capital Outlay Highway City Constructions (increase for inflation)		7,000,000
		<u>10,000,000</u>
	Contingency Total	<u>37,192,432</u>
	Total Commitments Assigned	<u>62,568,952</u>
% Summary of Fund Balance - Departmental Fund (Library)		
	Prior Period Fund Balance Surplus	87,000,000
	Fiscal Year Increase in Fund Balance - FY 2026-27	2,310,790
	Decrease in Fund Balance - FY 2026-27	28,407,893
	Total Excess Reserve Fund Balance June 30, 2027	<u>60,902,897</u>
	Planned Reserves (item m-r)	<u>34,441,732</u>
	Unplanned Reserves	<u>26,461,165</u>

There is sufficient annual excess surplus growth to cover potential annual increase in lease.

For the upcoming lease renewals, the average increase in monthly rate from 25-30% with, 3% annual increase through March 2029.

As or August 2026, there are two leases pending new agreement terms.

Measure B Revenues- Fresno & Coalinga

Monthly Tax Proceeds

Narrative

Measure B expires March 2029. The collections from State are distributed to each jurisdiction: Fresno 98%/Coalinga-Huron 2% Revenue in the current year has increased 1.84%. FY 24-25 revenue increased by 1.73%.

Enclosed is the three-page report

1. Current Collections: The reports for Fresno, Coalinga and combined Sales Tax Proceeds.

a. FY 25-26 Fresno	\$24,761,723
b. FY 25-26 Coalinga-Huron	\$584,306
2. Fresno:
 - a. Budgeted amount for Measure B Sales Tax revenue for FY 25-26 is \$25.7 million. Actual projected revenue for FY 25-26 is \$27.1 million. This represents an increase of about 2% (\$520,903) from FY 24-25 collections at \$26,560,212. FY 24-25 collections increased by \$470,969 over FY 23-24, a 1.8% increase.
3. Coalinga:
 - a. Prior year collections at \$626,745 in FY 24-25 were \$8,856 less than in FY 23-24, a 1.39% decrease. Anticipate an increase of about 2% (about \$13,000) to \$639,500 in FY 25-26.
4. Combined Measure B Collected: The last page reflects the history of actual receipts since FY 2015-16:
 - a. Since FY 2015-16 (ten years, eleven months), the combined receipts are \$248.1 million.
 - b. Since 1998, the combined receipts are \$457.7 million.

Fresno County Public Library										
Property Taxes Receipts & Other Revenues										
Compare to Measure B Sales										
by Quarter										
Library Fund 0107										
Property Tax revenue collections is less than 40% of total revenues. Measure B Sales greater than 50% of total revenues.										
Quarter (Fiscal Year)	Fiscal Year	Period	Property Tax	MB Sales Tax	SJVLs	Other	Total Revenues	Total Operations Expenditure	Total Capital Expenditure	Total Expenditures
4	25-26	Apr-Jun 2026	\$ 8,969,260	\$ 6,824,060	\$ 824,188	\$ 1,708,620	\$ 18,326,128	\$ 11,583,612	\$ 8,104,549	\$ 19,688,161
3	25-26	Jan-Mar 2025	\$ 971,005	\$ 6,455,693	\$ 633,320	\$ 845,439	\$ 8,905,457	\$ 9,068,816	\$ 8,340,424	\$ 17,409,240
2	25-26	Oct-Dec 2025	\$ 8,921,467	\$ 7,036,152	\$ 155,366	\$ 675,898	\$ 16,788,883	\$ 10,370,768	\$ 2,825,398	\$ 13,196,166
1	25-26	Jul - Sep 2025	\$ 126,209	\$ 6,765,210	\$ 166,911	\$ 210,997	\$ 7,269,327	\$ 8,773,763	\$ -	\$ 8,773,763
4	24-25	Apr-Jun 2025	\$ 8,407,480	\$ 6,797,299	\$ 789,661	\$ 1,968,578	\$ 17,963,018	\$ 10,915,782	\$ 3,010,640	\$ 13,926,422
3	24-25	Jan-Mar 2025	\$ 1,665,947	\$ 6,205,623	\$ 244,894	\$ 146,380	\$ 8,262,844	\$ 8,436,921	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 11,436,921
2	24-25	Oct-Dec 2024	\$ 7,629,874	\$ 6,959,904	\$ 508,889	\$ 879,081	\$ 15,977,748	\$ 9,205,961	\$ 804,913	\$ 10,010,874
1	24-25	Jul - Sep 2024	\$ 79,583	\$ 6,597,387	\$ 29,873	\$ 164,153	\$ 6,870,996	\$ 9,014,844	\$ 41,662	\$ 9,056,506
4	23-24	Apr - Jun 2024	\$ 8,054,151	\$ 6,663,498	\$ 721,339	\$ 1,257,973	\$ 16,696,961	\$ 9,465,145	\$ 815,689	\$ 10,280,834
3	23-24	Jan - Mar 2024	\$ 1,522,810	\$ 6,183,769	\$ 358,494	\$ 548,784	\$ 8,613,857	\$ 9,041,483	\$ 119,812	\$ 9,161,295
2	23-24	Oct-Dec 2023	\$ 7,218,910	\$ 6,569,222	\$ 550,128	\$ 778,807	\$ 15,117,067	\$ 8,735,878	\$ 341,530	\$ 9,077,408
1	23-24	Jul - Sep 2023	\$ 158,678	\$ 6,672,755	\$ 32,681	\$ 85,876	\$ 6,949,990	\$ 7,208,387	\$ 12,781	\$ 7,221,168
Two Fiscal Years Total FY 23-24 & 24-25			\$ 34,737,433	\$ 52,649,457	\$ 3,235,959	\$ 5,829,632	\$ 96,452,481	\$ 72,024,401	\$ 8,147,027	\$ 80,171,428
% of Total Revenues			36%	55%	3%	6%	100%			
Current Fiscal Year Total (QTR 1-4)			\$ 18,987,941	\$ 27,081,115	\$ 1,779,785	\$ 3,440,954	\$ 51,289,795	\$ 39,796,959	\$ 19,270,371	\$ 59,067,330
% of Total Revenues			37%	53%	3%	7%	100%			
Note: Operations includes County staff designated to SJVLs for fiscal and administrative functions										
Also includes Facilities major repairs and replacement, not capitalized.										
Revenues Percentage of Library operations costs FY 23-24 & 24-25										
48% Property Tax funds % of operations										
73% Measure Sales % of operations										
13% Other collections % of operations										
Excess to Fund Balance (+)/Withdrawal (-) \$ (7,777,535)										