

ORDINANCE O2025-002

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE NAPA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 3.15 ENTITLED "MEASURE G CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE"

WHEREAS, at the November 5, 2024 City of Napa General Municipal Election, City of Napa registered voters cast ballots for one Ballot Measure, entitled Measure G; and

WHEREAS, the local Measure G read as follows: "To protect/maintain funding (that The State of California cannot take) for City of Napa services including: repairing potholes/streets; maintaining parks, recreation, senior/youth programs; protecting water quality; supporting police with mental health response team for nonviolent calls; upgrading fire stations with lifesaving equipment; homeless encampment cleanups; constructing essential facilities; enhancing fire protection; general government use; shall the City of Napa measure be adopted levying a 1¢ sales tax, raising \$22,000,000 annually, until ended by voters, including independent audits/ citizen oversight?"; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2024, City Council adopted a resolution certifying the election results and declaring that the City Ballot Measure, labeled Measure G, to amend Title 3 of the Napa Municipal Code to add a new Chapter 3.14 entitled "Transactions and Use Tax" to establish a one percent transactions and use general tax in the City of Napa, received a "yes" vote by more than 50% + 1 of the votes cast; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance O2024-003 enacting Measure G became effective 10 days after the City Council declaration, and the Napa Municipal Code was amended by adding a new Chapter 3.14; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.14.150 of the Napa Municipal Code requires that the City Council establish a Citizens Oversight Committee to review and report annually on the receipt and expenditure of revenue from the tax authorized by Chapter 3.14 by adopting a resolution establishing the terms, composition, and duties of the Citizen Oversight Committee prior to the operative date; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is complimentary to the required resolution to establish the terms, composition, and duties of the Measure G Citizen Oversight Committee, with more specific information regarding the Measure G Citizen Oversight Committee detailed in this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered all information related to this matter, as presented at the public meeting of the City Council identified herein, including any supporting reports by City Staff, and any information provided during public meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Napa as

follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 3.15 is hereby added to Title 3 of the Napa Municipal Code to read as follows:

Chapter 3.15
Measure G Citizen Oversight Committee

3.15.10 Measure G Citizen Oversight Committee establishment.

A. There shall be a Measure G Citizen Oversight Committee (which may be referred to in this chapter as the "Committee") to consist of five members. Unless otherwise required by law, in order for any action to be taken by the Committee, it must be approved by a majority vote of a quorum of the Committee in attendance at a Committee meeting. A quorum of the Committee shall consist of at least three of the five members.

3.15.020 Qualifications and appointment of Committee Members.

- A. Each member of the Committee shall be appointed by the City Council and shall hold office in accordance with the requirements and procedures established by resolution of the City Council.
- B. Each member of the Committee shall be a full-time resident and registered voter of the City.
- C. At least two of the five members of the Committee shall demonstrate professional experience as follows: (1) one of the five members shall demonstrate professional experience in accounting or finance, preferably for public agencies and (2) at least one of the five members of the Committee shall be a person who demonstrates professional experience in municipal operations or capital project delivery.

3.15.030 City staffing of Committee.

Unless otherwise designated by the City Manager, the Assistant City Manager shall be the principal city staff to the Committee, and the Assistant City Manager shall appoint a secretary to the Committee to comply with all procedural requirements.

3.15.040 Meetings of Committee.

Meetings shall be held no less than two times per calendar year. The Committee shall conduct its meetings in accordance with procedures established by resolution of the City Council. The Committee may establish its own rules of procedure or by-laws consistent with City Council resolutions and ordinances.

3.15.050 Committee duties.

The duties of the Committee shall be to:

- A. Review and report on the financial audits of the Measure G retail transactions and use tax revenues and expenditures.

- B. Confirm expenditures are consistent with priorities approved by the City Council, no revenues have been siphoned off by the State or other entities, and no revenues are used for the benefit of other than the Napa community.
- C. Receive presentations regarding projects, initiatives, and city operations funded by the Measure G retail transactions and use tax.
- D. Review financial reports regarding the Measure G retail transactions and use tax requested by City Council.
- E. Make recommendations to the City Council on matters referred to the Committee by the City Council.

SECTION 2: Severability. If any section, sub-section, subdivision, paragraph, clause or phrase in this Ordinance, or any part thereof, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections or portions of this Ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed each section, sub-section, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, sub-sections, subdivisions, paragraphs, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days following adoption.

City of Napa, a municipal corporation

MAYOR:

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF NAPA

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF NAPA } SS:
CITY OF NAPA }

I, Tiffany Carranza, City Clerk of the City of Napa, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance had its first reading and was introduced during the public meeting of the City Council on the 4th day of February, 2025, and had its second reading and was adopted and passed during the public meeting of the City Council on the 18th day of February, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: DeNatale, Luros, Painter, Narvaez, Sedgley

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST: 
Tiffany Carranza
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:


Christopher Diaz
Interim City Attorney