

Measure AA Committee Framework (April 23, 2026)

On November 5, 2024, voters approved Measure AA, a 1% transactions and use tax (sales tax) imposed by Ordinance No. 5423, which added Chapter 5.38 of the Monterey County Code. The tax is for general governmental purposes and consumption in unincorporated Monterey County.

Ballot Measure Language:

Measure AA - County, Unincorporated Area (November 5, 2024 General Election)

To fund critical County of Monterey services, including street maintenance and pothole repair; enhanced public safety, emergency services and disaster response, prevention, and recovery; programs to reduce homelessness; libraries, parks, and recreation facilities; water and sewer infrastructure; healthcare; clean and affordable drinking water and other services; shall the County of Monterey's transaction and use tax be increased in unincorporated areas by 1%, providing approximately \$29,000,000 annually, to be spent locally only, until ended by voters?

COMMITTEE FORMATION

The Board of Supervisors established the Measure AA Ad Hoc Committee in January 2025, composed of two supervisors from Districts 2 and 3, following voter approval of the 1% general sales tax. The committee's ongoing responsibilities—such as tracking revenue, reviewing projections, and evaluating projects—prompted the Board to convert the Ad Hoc Committee into a Board Standing Committee in October 2025, with the existing membership retained through 2027, at which point the Standing Committee will transition in accordance with the Board's Standing Committee Rotation Schedule (Board's Rotation Schedule).

MEMBERSHIP

The Committee shall consist of two members of the Board of Supervisors. Membership shall align with the Board's Rotation Schedule, effective January 2027.

TERM:

Effective January 2027, committee members shall serve two-year terms in accordance with the Board's Rotation Schedule.

The **Measure AA Committee** is tasked with:

- 1) Recommendations regarding the expenditure of revenue from Measure AA for budget planning purposes.
- 2) Recommendations as to the configuration of a multi-member citizens' advisory board (the "Measure AA Oversight Committee") and meeting reoccurrence. The purpose of the Oversight Committee is to review expenditures to ensure that they conform to Measure AA priority areas. The Committee does not provide recommendations regarding spending proposals.
 - a. Identify representation and number of members based on
 - i. (1) residence in the County's unincorporated areas and

- ii. (2) the budget priority areas adopted via resolution by the BOS.
- b. Establish meeting reoccurrence (at least annually).
- c. Identify weighted recommendations using budget priority areas for revenue allocation.
- d. Establish an appointment procedure (see following pages)

Budget Priority Areas Approved by the Board of Supervisors

- Road Repair and Infrastructure Projects—repair roads and bridges, fix potholes, and address failing public facilities and infrastructure that have exceeded their useful life.
- Water and Sewer (Wastewater) Infrastructure Projects—make repairs to improve reliability, improve efficiency, quality, and service for reliable, sustainable and safe water.
- Parks Projects—restoring the recreational features and improve our County parks and lake recreational facilities for enhancing resident visitorship experience.
- Essential and Mandated County services, programs, and improvements, including but not limited to strategies to address housing affordability, reduce homelessness, and provide healthcare services for children and vulnerable.
- Public Safety –emergency management and response services including disaster response, animal services and emergency communications.