

January 3, 2017

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**FROM: INTERIM CITY MANAGER**

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ESTABLISHING THE COMPTON TAXPAYERS COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE USE OF REVENUES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2,269 (“MEASURE P”) AND SETTING FORTH TERMS, DUTIES AND GUIDELINES OF THE COMPTON TAXPAYERS COMMITTEE**

### **SUMMARY**

The City Council will consider a Resolution to establish the Compton Taxpayers Committee to review the use of revenues collected pursuant to Ordinance No. 2,269 (“Measure P”) and set forth terms, duties, and guidelines of the Compton Taxpayers Committee.

### **BACKGROUND**

On June 7, 2016, Compton voters passed Measure P, a one-cent retail transactions and use tax ordinance to be administered by the State Board of Equalization. The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk certified the canvass of the election returns and the statement of votes cast on July 1, 2016. After receipt of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk’s certification of the election results, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 24,410 on July 26, 2016, declaring the results of the June 7, 2016 election which showed the voters adoption of Ordinance No. 2,269 (“Measure P”). Section 3-5.15 of Ordinance No. 2,269 directs the City Council, no later than January 7, 2017, to establish a Compton Taxpayers Committee to review the expenditure of the revenues collected pursuant to the ordinance.

### **STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE**

Staff is recommending that Council adopt this Resolution in order to establish and set forth terms, duties, and guidelines of the Compton Taxpayers Committee. The Compton Taxpayers Committee is to consist of at least five (5) members appointed by the City Council. The term of office of the Committee members shall be four (4) years. Committee members shall be residents of the City of Compton. The terms of the Compton Taxpayers Committee and the specific duties of members are established by the City Council and are set forth in Exhibit “A” to this Resolution.

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and Guidelines of the Committee  
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If approved, the City Clerk would be directed to advertise that applications for the Compton Taxpayers Committee shall be received by the City up to and including February 16, 2017. Following the application deadline of February 16, 2017, the applications received shall be reviewed for selection by the City Council at a future Council meeting.

City Council Members would nominate from the applicant pool for a district representative and the Mayor would nominate from the applicant pool a city-wide representative to the Committee. The City Council would approve all members of the Compton Taxpayers Committee.

**ALTERNATIVE**

None Proposed.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is staff recommendation that the City Council adopt the attached Resolution.

**JEROME G. GROOMES  
INTERIM CITY MANAGER**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON ESTABLISHING THE COMPTON TAXPAYERS COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE USE OF REVENUES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2,269 (“MEASURE P”) AND SETTING FORTH TERMS, DUTIES AND GUIDELINES OF THE COMPTON TAXPAYERS COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, on June 7, 2016, Compton voters passed Measure P, a one-cent retail transactions and use tax ordinance to be administered by the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 1, 2016, the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk certified the canvass of the election returns and the statement of votes cast; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 26, 2016, after receipt of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk’s certification of the election results, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 24,410, declaring the results of the June 7, 2016 election which showed the voters adoption of Ordinance No. 2,269 (“Measure P”); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 3-5.15 of Ordinance No. 2,269 directs the City Council, no later than January 7, 2017, to establish a Compton Taxpayers Committee to review the expenditure of the revenues collected pursuant to the ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Compton Taxpayers Committee is to consist of at least five (5) members appointed by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the Compton Taxpayers Committee shall be residents in the City of Compton; and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the Compton Taxpayers Committee and their specific duties shall be established by resolution of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to form the Compton Taxpayers Committee, and establish the terms, duties and guidelines for the Compton Taxpayers Committee.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMPTON DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Council hereby establishes a five (5) member oversight board called the Compton Taxpayers Committee, which shall be comprised of Compton residents and taxpayers.

**SECTION 2.** The term of office of the members of the Compton Taxpayers Committee shall be four (4) years.

**SECTION 3.** The City Council hereby approves the Compton Taxpayers Committee duties and guidelines as set forth in Exhibit “A” attached hereto.

**SECTION 4.** The City Clerk is hereby directed to advertise that applications for the Compton Taxpayers Committee shall be received by the City up to and including February 16, 2017.

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**SECTION 5.** Following the application deadline of February 16, 2017, the applications received shall be reviewed for selection by the City Council at a future Council meeting.

**SECTION 6.** That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be filed in the office of the City Manager, City Attorney, City Controller and City Clerk.

**SECTION 7.** That the Mayor shall sign and the City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution.

**ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

**ATTEST:**

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**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
CITY OF COMPTON: ss

I, Alita Godwin, City Clerk of the City of Compton hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Compton, signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk at a regular meeting thereof held on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

That said resolution was adapted by the following vote, to wit:

**AYES:            COUNCIL MEMBERS-**  
**NOES:            COUNCIL MEMBERS-**  
**ABSENT:        COUNCIL MEMBERS-**  
**ABSTAIN:       COUNCIL MEMBERS-**

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**CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COMPTON**

## EXHIBIT "A"

### COMPTON TAXPAYERS COMMITTEE DUTIES AND GUIDELINES

The City Council of the City of Compton hereby establishes the Compton Taxpayers Committee to review the expenditure of the revenues collected pursuant to the Measure P retail transactions and use tax, as well as report on the use of the funds.

#### **Application/Recruitment Process:**

The standard recruitment process that is used for all other existing City boards, commissions and committees will be utilized to conduct the recruitment of applications for the Compton Taxpayers Committee.

Notice of these vacancies will be advertised in the Compton Bulletin newspaper, posted on the City's website and posted on the City Hall and City Council meeting notice boards until February 16, 2017.

#### **Powers and Duties:**

The Compton Taxpayers Committee will ensure transparency and oversight of the expenditure of the revenues collected pursuant to Measure P. Enterprise and other funds generated independent of Measure P are outside the purview of the Compton Taxpayers Committee.

Compton Taxpayers Committee duties will consist of reviewing the annual independent audit (performed by an independent auditor on the Measure P generated revenue and expenses during the previous fiscal year), as well as reviewing any other City financial reports necessary to advise the City Council.

The duties of the Compton Taxpayers Committee do not include decision-making responsibilities regarding spending priorities, funding source decisions or financing plans. The Compton Taxpayers Committee serves in an advisory-only role to the City Council limited to a review of the expenditure of the Measure P revenue.

#### **Qualifications for Appointment:**

Compton residents interested in appointment to the 5-member Compton Taxpayers Committee must be residents at-large who meet the residency requirement below.

The residency requirement is defined as residents who live within the City limits of the City of Compton. Residency may be verified annually by the City Clerk's office through: (1) voter registration, or (2) utility bills (phone, water, cable).

#### **Selection of Members:**

The Compton Taxpayers Committee will consist of at least five (5) members appointed by the Council as follows:

Four (4) Committee members to represent each of the four (4) City Council Districts nominated by the district's Council member.

One (1) Committee member to represent the City at large, nominated by the Mayor.

Applicants for the committee shall complete and submit applications to the City Clerk's office by 5:30 p.m. on February 16, 2017.

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## **Term of Service:**

The terms of the Compton Taxpayers Committee members shall be for a period of four (4) years. The terms shall expire in a manner consistent with Charter Section 1002. Members serve at the pleasure of the City Council and may be removed, by motion of the City Council, adopted by at least four affirmative votes.

## **Meetings:**

The Compton Taxpayers Committee will meet at least annually. Members are expected to attend all regular meetings. Failure of the Committee members to attend annually meeting(s) may result in removal from the Compton Taxpayers Committee, at the discretion of the City Council.

A quorum requirement for any meeting shall be a minimum of 3 members, where the Committee is a five member Committee. The vote of a majority of the entire membership shall be necessary for it to take action.

The Compton Taxpayers Committee will be subject to the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. Meetings must be noticed and open to the public. Committee minutes and reports are a matter of public record, and may be posted on the City's website. Additional meetings may be scheduled as necessary. All Committee members shall attend training and orientation prior to the first regular Compton Taxpayer Committee meeting, including Brown Act training and AB 1234 Ethics Training.

## **Staff Liaison Appointment:**

The City Manager and/or his designee will serve as staff liaison(s) to the Compton Taxpayers Committee. The liaison(s) will be responsible for providing relevant information to the Compton Taxpayers Committee, including the annual financial audit. The liaison(s) will prepare, post and distribute agendas and take minutes at each meeting. The liaison(s) will provide the minutes of the Committee's proceedings to the City Council and the public.