



**Committee Members Present**

Donald P. Wagner, Chair  
Katrina Foley, Vice Chair  
Janet Nguyen  
Mark Tettemer

**Committee Members Absent**

Michael Hennessey  
Fred Jung

**Staff Present**

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer  
Jennifer L. Bergener, Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
Sahara Meisenheimer, Clerk of the Board Specialist  
Gina Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board  
Andrea West, Clerk of the Board  
James Donich, General Counsel  
OCTA Staff

**Call to Order**

The March 20, 2025 regular meeting of the Legislative and Communications Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Wagner at 9:03 a.m.

**Special Calendar**

**1. Washington D.C. Advocate Presentation**

Committee Chair Wagner provided opening comments and introduced Rick Alcalde, Lead Federal Legislative Advocate, and Dan Feliz, Principal Legislative Advocate from Potomac Partners DC, who provided a report on this item.

No action was taken on this item.

**2. Conference Call with State Legislative Advocate Moira Topp**

Moira Topp, State Legislative Advocate, provided an update on this item.

No action was taken on this item.

**3. Committee Meeting 2025 Schedule**

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), presented this item.

A motion was made by Director Nguyen, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Foley, and declared passed by those present to approve the 2025 Legislative and Communications Committee meeting calendar.

**4. Roles and Responsibilities of the Legislative and Communications Committee**

Darrell E. Johnson, CEO, presented this item and highlighted the revisions.



A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Foley, seconded by Director Tettemer, and declared passed by those present to approve the 2025 Legislative and Communications Committee Roles and Responsibilities.

## **Consent Calendar (Item 5)**

### **5. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Director Tettemer, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Foley, and declared passed by those present to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2024, Legislative and Communications Committee Meeting.

## **Regular Calendar**

### **6. State Legislative Status Report**

Kristin Jacinto, Executive Director of Government Relations, introduced Alexis Carter, Senior Government Relations Representative, who provided a report on this item.

A motion was made by Director Nguyen, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Foley, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Adopt a SUPPORT position on SB 741 (Blakespear, D-Encinitas), which would clarify that a local emergency declared by a municipality, county, or special district qualifies as an emergency for coastal development permits.
- B. Adopt a SUPPORT position on SB 752 (Richardson, D-Inglewood), which would extend the sunset date on the sales tax exemption for the purchase of zero-emission transit buses.

### **7. Federal Legislative Status Report**

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Foley, seconded by Director Nguyen, and declared passed by those present to adopt the proposed Principles for Surface Transportation Reauthorization Legislation and direct staff to take necessary and appropriate actions in furtherance of these goals in Washington, D.C.

### **8. Agreement for Public Outreach Services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project from Interstate 405 to State Route 55**

Nicci Wright, Principal Community Relations Representative of Public Outreach, provided a report on this item.

A motion was made by Director Tettemer, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Foley, and declared passed by those present to:



- A. Approve the selection of Kleinfelder Construction Services, Inc., as the firm to provide public outreach consultant services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project from Interstate 405 to State Route 55.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-4-2488 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Kleinfelder Construction Services, Inc., in the amount of \$1,199,260, for a six-year initial term with an option term of up to 24 months, to provide public outreach consultant services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project from Interstate 405 to State Route 55.

## **Discussion Items**

### **9. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

### **10. Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Mr. Johnson, CEO, reported on National Transit Employee Appreciation Day on March 18.

### **11. Committee Members' Reports**

Committee Vice Chair Foley acknowledged Kia Mortazavi, Executive Director of Planning, for his 40 years of service with the Orange County Transportation Authority.

### **12. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held:

**9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 17, 2025**

OCTA Headquarters

Board Room

550 South Main Street

Orange, California

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Sahara Meisenheimer  
Clerk of the Board Specialist