

**Committee Members Present**

Jamey Federico, Vice Chair
Jon Dumitru
Katrina Foley
Patrick Harper
Farrah N. Khan
John Stephens

Staff Present

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer
Jennifer L. Bergener, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Allison Cheshire, Clerk of the Board Specialist, Senior
Gina Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board
James Donich, General Counsel
OCTA Staff

Committee Members Absent

None

Call to Order

The October 7, 2024, Regional Transportation Planning Committee meeting was called to order by Committee Vice Chair Federico at 10:30 a.m.

Consent Calendar (Items 1 through 4)**1. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Federico, seconded by Director Harper, and declared passed by those present to approve the minutes of the August 29, 2024, Regional Transportation Planning Committee meeting.

2. Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project Between Alicia Parkway and El Toro Road

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

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-9-1600 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$18,980,000, for additional construction capital for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Alicia Parkway and El Toro Road. This will increase the maximum cumulative obligation of the cooperative agreement to a total contract value of \$181,065,000.
- B. Authorize the use of up to \$18,980,000 in Measure M2 funds for the construction phase of the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Alicia Parkway and El Toro Road.



- C. Authorize staff to process all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and execute or amend all necessary agreements to facilitate the above actions.

3. **Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the Interstate 605/Katella Avenue Interchange Project**

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

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. C-3-2384 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation, in an amount of \$3,340,000, for additional construction capital and construction management support, for the Interstate 605/Katella Avenue Interchange Project. This will increase the maximum cumulative obligation of the cooperative agreement to a total contract value of \$30,460,000.
- B. Authorize the use of an additional \$3,340,000 in Measure M2 funds for additional construction capital and construction management support for the Interstate 605/Katella Avenue Interchange Project.
- C. Authorize staff to process all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and execute or amend all necessary agreements to facilitate the above actions.

4. **Comprehensive Transportation Funding Programs - Project X Tier 1 and Tier 2 2024 Calls for Projects Programming Recommendations**

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

- A. Approve the award of \$3,712,423 in Tier 1 Environmental Cleanup Program funding for 11 projects.
- B. Approve the award of \$6,967,250 in Tier 2 Environmental Cleanup Program funding for four projects.



Regular Calendar

5. **Santa Ana River Crossings and 19th Street Reclassification Review and Status Update**

Greg Nord, Section Manager, Long-Range Planning and Corridor Studies, provided a presentation on this item.

Committee members commented on two roadway topics covered as part of the item. There were comments on the need to expedite the resolution of these matters but also acknowledgment that some of the General Plan amendments in the affected cities related to land use that could affect traffic patterns were pending.

The Garfield-Gisler bridge is currently not assumed for transportation purposes because the neighboring cities of Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, and Huntington Beach have agreed to implement alternative traffic measures, and a study to validate the effectiveness of these measures and ensure consensus is pending. Director Forley suggested there should be options to expedite such a consensus given the current community setting and related constraints. Director Harper suggested he could contact other Fountain Valley city council members and assess the City of Fountain Valley's current position on the need for further studies. In parallel, staff will reach out to the City of Huntington Beach to gauge their view on the need for further studies.

With respect to the 19th Street bridge, Director Foley suggested that the decision to reclassify 19th Street to existing conditions should also be fast-tracked, and Randell Preserve representatives should also be consulted in the matter. OCTA is ready to study the request as the related General Plans are updated. Director Stephens stated he would be willing to work with and meet the adjacent city mayors to seek a resolution.

No action was taken on this receive and file as an information item.

Discussion Items

6. **Public Comments**

No public comments were received.

7. **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, reported on the following:

- Service Animal Training
- APTA Transform Conference



8. Committee Members' Reports

No reports were offered by the Committee Members.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

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

10:30 a.m. on Monday, November 4, 2024

OCTA Headquarters

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