



# MINUTES

## *Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting*

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### **Committee Members Present**

Mark A. Murphy, Chairman  
Barbara Delgleize, Vice Chair  
Lisa A. Bartlett  
Doug Chaffee  
Joe Muller  
Richard Murphy

### **Staff Present**

Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
Laurena Weinert, Clerk of the Board  
Olga Prado, Assistant Clerk of the Board  
James Donich, General Counsel  
OCTA Staff and Members of the General Public

### **Committee Members Absent**

Miguel Pulido

### **Call to Order**

The May 6, 2019 regular meeting of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman M. Murphy at 10:31 a.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Committee Vice Chair Delgleize led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **1. Public Comments**

No public comments were received.

### **Special Calendar**

There were no Special Calendar matters.

### **Consent Calendar (Items 2 through 5)**

#### **2. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Director Muller, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Delgleize, and declared passed by those present, to approve the minutes of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting of April 1, 2019.



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**3. Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the Interstate 5 Widening Project Between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway**

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

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1960 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation, to increase construction funding, in the amount of \$9,274,000, for construction of Segment 1 - Interstate 5 widening project between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway. This will increase the maximum obligation of the construction phase of the agreement to a total contract value of \$142,563,000.
- B. Authorize the use of up to \$6,433,000 in Highway Infrastructure Program funds for Segment 1 - Interstate 5 widening project between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway.
- C. Authorize the use of up to \$2,841,000 in Proposition 1B Trade Corridor Improvement Fund project deallocations from the State Route 91 project from Interstate 5 to State Route 57, Tustin Avenue/Rose Drive railroad grade separation, and Orangethorpe Avenue railroad grade separation to Segment 1 - Interstate 5 widening project between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway.
- D. Authorize staff to process all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and execute or amend all necessary agreements to facilitate the above recommendations.

**4. Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the State Route 91 Improvement Project Between State Route 57 and State Route 55**

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

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-9-1274 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$500,000, to provide oversight of the plans, specifications, and estimates, and to advertise and award the construction contract for the State Route 91 improvement project between State Route 57 and State Route 55.



### 4. (Continued)

- B. Authorize staff to amend the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and execute all necessary agreements to facilitate the above recommendation.

### 5. **Amendment to Agreement for Additional Design Services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project from South of Alicia Parkway to El Toro Road**

A motion was made by Director Muller, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Delgleize, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. C-4-1426 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and TRC Solutions, Inc., in the amount of \$617,742, for additional design services for the Interstate 5 improvement project from south of Alicia Parkway to El Toro Road. This will increase the maximum cumulative obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$9,187,029.

## **Regular Calendar**

There were no Regular Calendar matters.

## **Discussion Items**

### 6. **Update on Interstate 5 Widening Project Between State Route 73 and El Toro Road**

Rose Casey, Director, Highway Programs, and Fernando Chavarria, Community Relations Officer, External Affairs, co-presented a PowerPoint for this item as follows:

- Project Area;
- Project Improvements;
- La Paz Road Interchange Reconstruction (Stages 1 through 3);
- La Paz Road – Interchange Improvements;
- Avery Parkway – Interchange Improvements;
- Retaining Wall Aesthetics;
- Traffic Management Plan;
- Current Activities;
- Estimated Construction Schedule;
- Public Communications and Outreach; and
- Outreach Staff Contact Information.



### 6. (Continued)

A discussion ensued regarding:

- Of the 64 properties needed for the three segments of the project (Slide 12 of the PowerPoint), there are only three full-take properties in the southernmost segment which consist of two gas stations and one drug store.
- All other acquisitions are partial or temporary construction easements.
- For clarification purposes, when the PowerPoint is presented at the Board of Directors meeting, staff will include a breakdown of the right-of-way as it relates to the 64 properties.
- Director Bartlett stated that she is very excited for the improvements to the three segments of the project, and increasing regional mobility and public safety in that section of the freeway is very important.
- When Resolutions of Necessity are needed, staff continues to work with the property owners to reach an agreement.
- The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is the lead agency for acquisition of right-of-way and is negotiating the three full-take properties.

Following the discussion, no action was taken on this item.

### 7. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, reported on the following:

Bike Month –

- May is Bike Month and the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) will be holding its annual public bike ride and rally on Thursday, May 16.
- The bike ride will start at the Orange Metrolink Station at 7:30 a.m. and will conclude at the OCTA Headquarters.

Beach Boulevard Corridor Study –

- This month, OCTA is seeking public feedback on the Beach Boulevard Corridor Study, which is an OCTA- and Caltrans-led effort to improve Beach Boulevard and identify solutions ranging from enhanced pedestrian, bicycle, and transit facilities to improved signal synchronization.
- There are several upcoming events as follows:
  - Thursday, May 9 at 9:00 a.m. at the Westminster Senior Center
  - Saturday, May 18 at 9:00 a.m. at the West Anaheim Youth Center
  - Saturday, May 18 at 12:00 p.m. at Bella Terra
- Staff is also conducting an online survey and information is available at [octa.net/BeachStudy](http://octa.net/BeachStudy).



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### 7. (Continued)

#### Bus Service Plan Community Hearings –

- OCTA will be hosting a series of community meetings to obtain feedback on the proposed bus service changes for October 2019 and February 2020.
- The proposed changes are part of the OC Bus 360° plan to optimize the efficiency of the bus system.
- Upcoming community meetings will take place on:
  - Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m. at the Brea Community Center
  - Wednesday, May 22 at 5:30 p.m. at the Santa Ana Senior Center
  - Thursday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. at the Irvine Lakeview Senior Center
- A public hearing is scheduled for the June 10<sup>th</sup> Board of Directors meeting.

### 8. Committee Members' Reports

Committee Vice Chair Delgleize thanked the OCTA staff that participated in the Taste of Huntington Beach event to provide information on the Interstate 405 Improvement Project.

### 9. Closed Session

A Closed Session was not conducted at this meeting.

### 10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 3, 2019**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

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Olga Prado  
Assistant Clerk of the Board

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Mark A. Murphy  
Committee Chairman