



Committee Members Present

Tim Shaw, Chairman
Al Murray, Vice Chairman
Steve Jones
Miguel Pulido
Tom Tait
Gregory T. Winterbottom

Staff Present

Darrell Johnson, Chief Executive Officer
Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Laurena Weinert, Clerk of the Board
Sara Meisenheimer, Deputy Clerk of the Board
James Donich, General Counsel
OCTA Staff and members of the General Public

Committee Members Absent

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Call to Order

The November 9, 2017 meeting of the Transit Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman Shaw at 9:02 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Vice Chairman Murray 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 7)

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, seconded by Director Winterbottom, to approve the minutes of the Transit Committee meeting of October 12, 2017.

Directors Pulido and Tait were not present to vote on this item.

3. Rail Programs and Facilities Engineering Quarterly Report

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, seconded by Director Winterbottom, and declared passed by those present, to receive and file as an information item.

Directors Pulido and Tait were not present to vote on this item.

4. Agreement for Pavement Striping and Markings at the Garden Grove Bus Base

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, seconded by Director Winterbottom, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-7-1925 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and PCI, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$74,500, for pavement striping and markings at the Garden Grove Bus Base.

Directors Pulido and Tait were not present to vote on this item.

5. Agreement for Liquefied Natural Gas Storage Tank Removal at the Anaheim and Garden Grove Bus Bases

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, seconded by Director Winterbottom, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-7-1756 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Gems Environmental Management Services, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$1,791,306, for removal of liquefied natural gas storage tanks at the Anaheim and Garden Grove bus bases.

Directors Pulido and Tait were not present to vote on this item.

6. Agreement for the Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of a Hydrogen Fuel Station, and the Purchase and Delivery of Liquid Hydrogen for the Santa Ana Bus Base

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, seconded by Director Winterbottom, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-7-1577 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Trillium USA Company LLC, in the amount of \$6,472,127, for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a hydrogen fuel station and liquid hydrogen deliveries for a three-year term, with two, one-year option terms.
- B. Amend the Orange County Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget, in the amount of \$4,777,732, to accommodate the construction of a liquid hydrogen fuel station at the Santa Ana Bus Base.

Directors Pulido and Tait were not present to vote on this item.

7. Amendment to Agreement for Schedule Checking Activities

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, seconded by Director Winterbottom, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. C-3-1855 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and National Data and Surveying Services, doing business as Southland Car Counters, in the amount of \$244,184, to exercise the second, one-year option term of the agreement through December 31, 2018, for schedule checking services. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$1,273,483.

Directors Pulido and Tait were not present to vote on this item.

Regular Calendar

8. Sole Source Agreement for the Purchase of Ten Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Buses

Sue Zuhlke, Director of Maintenance and Motorist Services, gave an overview on the background, procurement approach, funding grant, and timelines for this item.

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, seconded by Director Jones, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute sole source Agreement No. C-7-1701 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and New Flyer Industries, Inc., in the amount of \$13,307,125, for the purchase of ten hydrogen fuel cell electric buses.
- B. Amend the Orange County Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2017-18 Adopted Budget, in the amount of \$13,307,125, to accommodate the purchase of ten hydrogen fuel cell electric buses.

9. OC Bus 360° Update

Kurt Brotcke, Director of Strategic Planning, gave an update on OC Bus 360° and showed/referenced Attachment A of the Staff Report on the screen. Mr. Brotcke reported on the following:

- To address bus ridership declines and increase ridership, efforts include:
 - Faster bus routes
 - Re-deployment of services
 - Working with local agencies for Project V
 - New technologies
 - Public outreach and Marketing
- Ridership is down 4.2 percent nationwide and OCTA is down three percent.
- Positive results have resulted from the OC Bus 360° efforts.
- Mobile ticketing application with over 67,000 downloads.
- During the launch of the Santa Ana College Pass program, over 3,000 students signed up in the first eight weeks, which resulted in 170,000 boardings.
- Bravo 560 has improved its travel time.
- Staff was asked to seek letters of interests from local agencies related to a future Project V call for projects.
- Special events services have exceeded the performance target.
- Staff is encouraged to provide outreach about the mobile application information to the city councils.
- The 19.5 percent increase in ridership was happening before the Santa Ana College Pass program began.
- To continue increasing ridership, OCTA needs to continue reviewing its resources and focus on the central core of the county.
- Attachment B of the Staff Report is created by the American Public Transportation Association and notes the nationwide declines in bus ridership.
- In regards to transportation, each community has different needs.

A motion was made by Director Pulido, seconded by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, and declared passed by those present, to by those present, to direct staff to request letters of interest from local agencies related to a future Project V call for projects, and return with an update in January 2018.

10. Transit Master Plan - Corridor Line Evaluation

Darrell Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), provided opening comments and introduced Gary Hewitt, Manager of Transit Planning. Mr. Hewitt introduced Steve Bolan, Senior Associate of Nelson Nygaard, and provided a PowerPoint presentation as follows:

- Context of Transit Master Plan (Plan)
- Opportunity Corridor Evaluation
- Potential Transit Modes
- Corridor Evaluation – Modes
- Corridor Evaluation: Criteria
- Corridor Evaluation: Assumptions
- Key Findings: Streetcar/BRT
- Key Findings: BRT/Rapid Bus
- Corridor Potential Next Steps
- Other Potential Next Steps
- Upcoming Study Timeline

Director Tait requested the ridership numbers for the Plan's potential corridor lines. Mr. Nygaard gave an example of what a queue jump is and how it can save time at an intersection.

A public comment was heard from Roy Shahbazian, Chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC). Mr. Shahbazian commented that at the CAC's October meeting, the CAC discussed concerns about the Plan's priority transit lanes, efficiency of car travel, bikes lanes, and the importance of cities being on board with those lanes. Mr. Shahbazian also stated that the members had a positive reaction to the potential upgrades to Beach Boulevard, Westminster Avenue, Main Street, and Harbor Boulevard; however, they did not take a position on the potential next steps to the Plan.

A discussion ensued regarding:

- Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) and OCTA had a joint meeting over the extension of the Gold Line into Orange County for the Olympics in 2028.
- The connection between the Gold Line and the West Santa Ana bridge not scoring high enough, as compared to other corridors.
- The Pacific Electric Right-of-Way would not make sense to be a standalone, but when things change, OCTA would reevaluate it.
- Transportation opportunities present themselves not only with Olympics, but with the Los Angeles Rams stadium.

10. (Continued)

- The Olympics Transportation Council being established in the middle of 2018, and Mayor Garcetti seeking at least one member from the OCTA's Board of Directors to participate.
- The 2028 Olympics will have events in Orange County.
- A differentiation between the capital investment changes and how OCTA approaches it.
- OCTA will engage with the Beach Boulevard corridor coalition.

A motion was made by Director Winterbottom, seconded by Committee Vice Chairman Murray, and declared passed by those present, to direct staff to seek public/stakeholder input and return to the Board of Directors in January 2018 with an action plan.

Discussion Items

11. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell Johnson, CEO, reported on the following:

- On Tuesday, November 7th, OCTA hosted its annual Veteran's Day event. There were 95 employees who were recognized for serving in the military; as well as, 15 employees with children or grandchildren who served our country. Directors Shaw and Winterbottom also participated in the event.
- On Saturday, November 11th at 9:00 a.m., OCTA is hosting a wilderness hike at the Ferber Ranch Preserve in Trabuco Canyon to give the public an opportunity to view the open space property.
- OCTA and LACMTA had a joint meeting to discuss transit, express lanes, and the Olympics in 2028.

12. Committee Members' Reports

- Committee Vice Chairman Murray announced that the City of Tustin received two new buses, which came out of the Federal Transit Administration 5310 funding. Each bus is worth \$75,000 and will be used for seniors and those with special needs. Committee Vice Chairman Murray thanked OCTA for their partnership.
- Committee Chairman Shaw stated he enjoyed participating in OCTA's Veteran's Day event.

13. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.



14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 14, 2017**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

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Tim Shaw
Committee Chairman

Sahara Meisenheimer
Deputy Clerk of the Board