

Orange County Transportation Authority

Board Agenda Monday, June 23, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

550 South Main Street, Orange, California

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Call to Order

Invocation

Director Klopfenstein

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Jung

1. Closed Session

Overview

A Closed Session will be held as follows:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) - Conference with General Counsel - Existing Litigation - Orange County Transportation Authority v. WTW Properties, LLC, et al, OCSC Case No. 30-2021-01195108.

Special Calendar

Orange County Transportation Authority Special Calendar Matters

2. Update on Emergency Need for Railroad Track Stabilization in the Vicinity of Mile Post 203.83 to 204.40 and 206.10 to 206.70 on the Orange Subdivision

Jason Lee/James G. Beil

Overview

The four reinforcement areas identified in the Coastal Rail Resiliency Study adjacent to the Orange County Transportation Authority-owned railroad right-of-way, in the vicinity of Mile Post 203.83 to 204.40 and 206.10 to 206.70 on the Orange Subdivision, has continued to experience coastal erosion and the hillside continues to move incrementally, posing an imminent threat to the railroad corridor and public safety if immediate necessary actions are not taken to mitigate the threat. Measures must be taken immediately to stabilize the track and maintain passenger and freight rail service.

Recommendation(s)

Reaffirm Resolution No. 2025-025 to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to take all necessary actions to address the emergency need for railroad track stabilization in the vicinity of Mile Post 203.83 to 204.40 and 206.10 to 206.70 on the Orange Subdivision, and to return to the Board of Directors, as required, to report on the status thereof.

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3. Presentation of Resolutions of Appreciation for Employees of the Month

Overview

Present Orange County Transportation Authority resolutions of Appreciation to Jose Esparza, Coach Operator, Resolution No. 2025-062; Marco Lopez, Maintenance, Resolution No. 2025-063; and Peter Sotherland, Administration, Resolution No. 2025-064 as Employees of the Month for June 2025.

4. Presentation of Resolutions of Appreciation for Orange County Transportation Authority's Teen Council Members

Melina Cabrera/Maggie McJilton

Overview

Present Orange County Transportation Authority Resolutions of Appreciation Nos. 2025-034 through 2025-057 to members of Orange County Transportation Authority's Teen Council whose terms expire July 2025.

Orange County Local Transportation Authority Special Calendar Matters

5. Measure M2 Taxpayer Oversight Committee New Member Recruitment and Lottery Marissa Espino/Maggie McJilton

Overview

The Renewed Measure M Ordinance No. 3 calls for a committee to oversee implementation of the program of transportation improvements. Each year, new committee members are recruited and selected to fill vacancies left by expired terms. The recruitment process for the Measure M Taxpayer Oversight Committee has been completed for 2025, and a public lottery is now required to appoint members to fill vacancies in the First, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Supervisorial Districts.

Recommendation(s)

Pursuant to the Renewed Measure M Ordinance No. 3, conduct a public lottery to finalize the selection of new Taxpayer Oversight Committee members. One name each representing the First, Third, Fourth, and Fifth Supervisorial Districts should be drawn from the list of recommended finalists submitted by the Grand Jurors' Association of Orange County.

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Consent Calendar (Items 6 through 23)

All matters on the Consent Calendar are to be approved in one motion unless a Board Member or a member of the public requests separate action on a specific item.

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6. Approval of Minutes

Clerk of the Board

Recommendation(s)

Approve the minutes of the June 9, 2025 Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies' regular meeting.

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Minutes

7. Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2024-25 Procurement Status Report

Pia Veesapen/Andrew Oftelie

Overview

The third quarter procurement status report summarizes the procurement activities for information purposes to the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors. This report focuses on procurement activity from January 1, 2025 through March 31, 2025, that was approved by the Board of Directors during this period. The third quarter procurement status report also projects future procurement activity for the fourth quarter as identified in the fiscal year 2024-25 budget.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as an information item.

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8. Orange County Transportation Authority Investment and Debt Programs Report - April 2025

Robert Davis/Andrew Oftelie

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority has a comprehensive investment and debt program to fund its immediate and long-term cash flow demands. Each month, the Treasurer submits a report detailing investment allocation, performance, compliance, outstanding debt balances, and credit ratings for the Orange County Transportation Authority's debt program. This report is for the month ending April 30, 2025. The report has been reviewed and is consistent with the investment practices contained in the investment policy.

Recommendation(s)

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9. Reserve Policy Update

Sean Murdock/Andrew Oftelie

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority is committed to prudent fiscal management and maintaining the ability to fund its programs and services during times of economic uncertainty. The Orange County Transportation Authority has a history of maintaining reserves to mitigate the impacts of financial risks to the programs it operates. Staff is proposing to update the reserve policy to increase the minimum balance requirement for the general liability reserve.

Recommendation(s)

Adopt the Proposed Reserve Policy dated June 23, 2025, and implement the policy in current and future financial plans.

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10. State Legislative Status Report

Clara Brotcke/Kristin Jacinto

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority provides regular updates to the Legislative and Communications Committee on policy issues directly impacting its overall programs, projects, and operations. This report includes a state budget update focused on budget change proposals and trailer bills related to the 2028 Olympics and the cap-and-trade program. A summary of a hearing focused on the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor is also included. A verbal update on the adopted fiscal year 2025-26 state budget will be provided when this report is presented.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as an information item.

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11. Federal Legislative Status Report

Alexis Carter/Kristin Jacinto

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority regularly updates the Legislative and Communications Committee on policy and regulatory issues directly impacting the agency's programs, projects, and operations. This update provides a summary of President Trump's Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Request and its implications for transportation funding and policy as well as an overview of congressional efforts to revoke California's Clean Air Act waivers under the Congressional Review Act. It also includes an update on federal Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding and Congressionally Directed Spending requests submitted by Orange County's congressional delegation as well as a summary of a letter of support urging expedited federal review for emergency rail stabilization funding in the City of San Clemente. Finally, a review of recent congressional hearings related to the efficiency of federal rail programs and an overview of recent nomination hearings for federal transportation agency leadership are provided.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as an information item.

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12. Accessible Transit Advisory Committee Annual Update and Member Appointments

Marissa Espino/Maggie McJilton

Overview

The Accessible Transit Advisory Committee was formed to advise the Orange County Transportation Authority on the transportation needs of seniors and persons with disabilities. The member appointment status and a summary of the committee's activities during the past year are provided with this report.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file the Accessible Transit Advisory Committee status report.

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13. Citizens Advisory Committee Annual Update and Member Appointments

Marissa Espino/Maggie McJilton

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority's Citizens Advisory Committee was established to provide feedback on significant transportation studies and projects, help identify opportunities for community input, and serve as a public liaison for the Orange County Transportation Authority. A summary of the committee's activities during the past year and the new member appointment status is provided with this report.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file the Citizens Advisory Committee status report.

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Orange County Transit District Consent Calendar Matters

14. Agreement for Installation of Battery Electric Bus Chargers and Electrical Infrastructure at the Santa Ana Bus Base

George Olivo/James G. Beil

Overview

On November 25, 2024, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved the purchase of ten battery electric buses and electric bus chargers for deployment at the Santa Ana Bus Base. Installation of the chargers and electrical infrastructure is needed. An invitation for bids was released on March 10, 2025, for the installation of battery electric bus chargers and electrical infrastructure at the Santa Ana Bus Base. Bids were received in accordance with procurement procedures for public works projects. Board of Directors' approval is requested to execute the agreement.

Recommendation(s)

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-5-3922 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Asplundh Construction, LLC, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$2,790,147, for the installation of battery electric bus chargers and electrical infrastructure at the Santa Ana Bus Base.

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15. Replacing and Expanding Mobile Routers on OC ACCESS and OC Bus Vehicles and at Non-Vehicle Locations

Josh Duke/Andrew Oftelie

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority utilizes mobile routers onboard the OC Bus and OC ACCESS fleet for real-time data connectivity, vehicle tracking, and integration with other onboard systems. Board of Directors' authorization is requested for the purchase of hardware and services to replace and expand mobile routers on the OC ACCESS and OC Bus vehicles, as well as at non-vehicle locations.

Recommendation(s)

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Purchase Order No. C54142 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and CDCE, Inc., in the amount of \$4,207,826, for the purchase of hardware and services necessary to replace existing Cradlepoint IBR1100 and IBR1700 mobile routers on 509 OC Bus vehicles, 31 non-revenue vehicles, and nine non-vehicle locations with new Cradlepoint R1900 mobile routers, to add 252 new Cradlepoint R1900 mobile routers on OC ACCESS vehicles, and to procure nine additional routers to be used as spares and for testing purposes.

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16. Amendment to Agreement for Technical Consulting Services for a Next-Generation Fare Collection System, OC Streetcar Ticket Vending Machines, and Farebox Replacement Project

Sam Kaur/Andrew Oftelie

Overview

On May 22, 2020, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved an agreement with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. to provide technical consulting services for the next generation fare collection system and ticket vending machines for the OC Streetcar for a three-year initial term with two, one-year option terms. The current contract expires July 31, 2025. Board of Directors' approval is requested to extend the contract term an additional two years effective August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2027.

Recommendation(s)

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 6 to Agreement No. C-0-2047 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. to extend the term of the agreement an additional two years to continue to provide support for the implementation of the Rider Validation System, OC Streetcar Ticket Vending Machines, and farebox replacement project at no increase in the maximum obligation of the agreement.

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17. Amendment to Agreement for Coach Operator, Training Instructor, and Field Supervisor Uniforms

Kim Tucker/Johnny Dunning, Jr.

Overview

On May 23, 2022, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved a contract with Becnel Uniforms to provide uniforms for coach operators, training instructors, and field supervisors as needed. The contract includes a three-year initial term and a two-year option term. Board of Directors' approval is requested to exercise the two-year option to ensure continued uniform service.

Recommendation(s)

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. C-1-3928 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Becnel Uniforms, to exercise the option term in the amount of \$611,000, to continue providing uniform services for coach operators, training instructors, and field supervisors effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$1,285,468.

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18. Amendments to Agreements with Cooperative Agencies for the Provision of Transportation Services

Jack Garate/Johnny Dunning, Jr.

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority has entered into cost-sharing arrangements with five cooperative agencies to assist in managing the demand and cost of the OC ACCESS service. The Board of Directors approved five-year cooperative agreements with five such agencies on June 24, 2024. These cooperative agreements are to be amended each year to adjust the per trip rate and the maximum obligations. Board of Directors' approval is requested to amend the cooperative agreements with five cooperative agencies for the provision of transportation services.

Recommendation(s)

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-4-2287 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and North County Senior Services, LLC, doing business as Acacia Adult Day Services, for continued services in the amount of \$210,429, and to adjust the per trip rate to \$25.75, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$414,729.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-4-2288 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Alzheimer's Family Center for continued services in the amount of \$252,479 and to adjust the per trip rate to \$25.75, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$497,604.
- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-4-2289 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Community SeniorServ, doing business as Meals on Wheels Orange County, for continued services in the amount of \$380,019, and to adjust the per trip rate to \$25.75, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$748,969.
- D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-4-2290 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and SoCal Senior Services, LLC, for continued services in the amount of \$446,042 and to adjust the per trip rate to \$25.75, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$879,092.

E. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-4-2291 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Orange County Adult Achievement Center, doing business as My Day Counts, for continued services in the amount of \$1,702,539 and adjusting the per trip rate to \$25.75, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$3,336,614.

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19. Amendment to Cooperative Agreements with Non-Profit Agencies to Provide Senior Mobility Program Services

Martin Browne/Johnny Dunning, Jr.

Overview

The Senior Mobility Program is designed to offer transportation alternatives to seniors in addition to local fixed-route and paratransit service. Three non-profit agencies participate in the Senior Mobility Program and receive funding from local sources other than Measure M2 to support their services. Amendments to the current funding agreements with these three agencies are required to allocate funding for fiscal year 2025-26 and ensure the continuation of the service.

Recommendation(s)

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 4 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3259 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Abrazar, Inc., in the amount of \$91,560 to provide funding through June 30, 2026.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 5 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3260 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Korean American Senior Association of Orange County, in the amount of \$112,566 to provide funding through June 30, 2026.
- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 4 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3261 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Southland Integrated Services, Inc., in the amount of \$98,976, to provide funding through June 30, 2026.

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20. August 2025 OC Bus Service Change

Eric Hoch/Rose Casey

Overview

The proposed August 2025 OC Bus service change implements changes consistent with the Making Better Connections final service plan. These changes will reduce wait times and improve overall service quality and reliability. Minor adjustments to bus schedules in response to customer comments and coach operator feedback are also included.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as an information item.

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21. Declare Surplus Property for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project Between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway

Joe Gallardo/James G. Beil

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority's Interstate 5 Improvement Project between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway required the acquisition of property rights from public and private parties, adjacent to the existing freeway and city streets. Staff is requesting approval to sell a portion of a vacant commercial property, approximately 10,148 square feet, located at the corner of Camino Capistrano and Avery Parkway in the City of Laguna Niguel, Assessor Parcel No. 637-231-01, and a portion of a vacant commercial property approximately 24,434 square feet, located at Marguerite Parkway and Avery Parkway in the City of Mission Viejo, assessor parcel nos. 740-014-01 and 740-014-05 as surplus land, under the Surplus Land Act (Government Code Section 54221 et seq.).

Recommendation(s)

A. Declare a portion of the property located at the corner of Camino Capistrano and Avery Parkway in the City of Laguna Niguel, within the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway, Assessor Parcel No. 637-231-01, as surplus land pursuant to the Surplus Land Act (Government Code Section

54221 et seq.).

- B. Declare a portion of the property located at the corner of Marguerite Parkway andAvery Parkway in the City of Mission Viejo, within the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway, assessor parcel nos. 740-014-01 and 740-014-05, as surplus land pursuant to the Surplus Land Act (Government Code Section 54221 et seq.).
- C. Direct staff to seek potential buyers interested in the purchase of the surplus lands located within the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between State Route 73 and Oso Parkway in accordance with Surplus Land Act (Government Code Section 54221 et seq.) and the Real Property Policies and Procedure Manual, dated August 22, 2022.
- D. Direct staff to negotiate sales terms with potential buyers and return to the Board of Directors to recommend approval of the sale of the surplus land.

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22. Contract Change Orders for Construction of the OC Streetcar Project

Jeff Mills/James G. Beil

Overview

On September 24, 2018, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors authorized Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, for construction of the OC Streetcar project. Contract change orders are required for modifications to cranes at the maintenance and storage facility, additional fencing to minimize trespassing in the Pacific Electric Right-of-Way, additional work to connect pumps to the appropriate systems in the maintenance and storage facility, and for additional work to install alternative anchorage equipment to support various systems housed on the roof of the maintenance and storage facility.

Recommendation(s)

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 93.1 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$97,000, for modifications to cranes at the maintenance and storage facility.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 175.1 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$200,000, for additional work for fencing to minimize trespassing in the Pacific Electric Right-of-Way.
- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change

Order No. 250.1 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$50,000, for additional work to connect pumps to the appropriate systems in the maintenance and storage facility.

D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 268.1 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$70,000, for additional work to install alternative anchorage equipment to support various systems housed on the roof of the maintenance and storage facility.

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23. Environmental Mitigation Program Endowment Fund Investment Report for March 31, 2025

Robert Davis/Andrew Oftelie

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority has developed a Natural Community Conservation Plan/Habitat Conservation Plan, acquired conservation properties, and funded habitat restoration projects to mitigate the impacts of Measure M2 freeway programs. The California Community Foundation manages the non-wasting endowment required to fund the long-term management of the conservation properties. Each quarter, the California Community Foundation publishes a comprehensive report detailing the composition of the pool and its performance.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as information item.

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Regular Calendar

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24. 405 Express Lanes Update for the Period Ending March 31, 2025

Kirk Avila

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority oversees the operations of the 405 Express Lanes, which commenced operations on December 1, 2023. Over the last quarter, there were approximately 16.1 million transactions and 4.2 million trips generated on the 405 Express Lanes. This report focuses on the operational and financial activities for the period ending March 31, 2025.

Recommendation(s)

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Discussion Items

- 25. Public Comments
- 26. Chief Executive Officer's Report
- 27. Directors' Reports
- 28. Adjournment

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

9:30 a.m., on Monday, July 14, 2025

OCTA Headquarters Board Room 550 South Main Street

Orange, California