



Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting

Committee Members Present

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

Staff Present

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer Kenneth Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Laurena Weinert, Clerk of the Board Sahara Meisenheimer, Deputy Clerk of the Board James Donich, General Counsel OCTA Staff and Members of the General Public

Committee Members Absent

None

Call to Order

The January 6, 2020 regular meeting of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman M. Murphy at 10:30 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Chaffee 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 8)

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director R. Murphy, 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 December 2, 2019.

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

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3. Motorist Services Update for Fiscal Year 2018-19

Director Bartlett pulled this item, referenced the Orange County Taxi Administration Program (OCTAP), provided comments, and asked about OCTAP's deficit going into 2020.

Andrew Oftelie, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), stated that over a two-year period the OCTAP deficit is approximately \$500,000, and OCTA asked the cities to contribute in order to keep OCTAP solvent.

Director Bartlett asked if there has been any push back from the cities relative to OCTAP, and Mr. Oftelie responded that generally there is no push back.

Lance Larson, Executive Director of External Affairs, stated the OCTAP's Executive Steering Committee met a few weeks ago, and the cities were asked if they wanted OCTA to continue managing OCTAP because the contract will expire on June 30, 2020, as well as provided other comments. Additionally, the City of Aliso Viejo (Aliso Viejo) does not participate in OCTAP, which caused an increase for the other cities' participation.

An additional discussion ensued:

- If OCTA did not continue managing OCTAP, the responsibilities would return to each city for regulating the taxicabs.
- The reason OCTAP came into existence is because the cities no longer wanted the city staff expense to regulate taxicabs.
- The cities can form a Joints Powers Authority to regulate taxicabs.
- OCTA looks to the cities for its preference to administer the taxicabs.
- There could be a potential conflict with OCTA managing OCTAP, as OCTA is not a regulating agency.
- At this time, OCTA has not heard from other cities about not wanting to participate in OCTAP.
- OCTA had briefings with the cities, and the cities feedback has been positive that it would be a challenge to administer the taxicab regulations by themselves.
- With Aliso Viejo's withdrawal from OCTAP, the other cities absorbed approximately \$8,000 over two years.
- To Director Delgleize's October 2019 request about the number of Freeway Service Patrol assist, the specifics are contained in Page 2 of this item's Staff Report.

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

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4. Measure M2 Performance Assessment Report Update

A motion was made by Director R. Murphy, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Delgleize, and declared passed by those present, to receive and file as an information item.

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

5. Orange County Transportation Authority State and Federal Grant Programs - Update and Recommendations

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

- A. Authorize approval of amendment requests for four projects from the cities of Anaheim, Costa Mesa, Newport Beach, and the County of Orange.
- B. Authorize staff to make all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and execute any required agreements or amendments to facilitate the recommendations above.

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

6. 2021 Federal Transportation Improvement Program and Financial Plan

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

- A. Authorize the submittal of the Federal Transportation Improvement Program for fiscal year 2020-21 through fiscal year 2025-26.
- B. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-001 of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Transportation Authority.
- C. Authorize staff to process all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program to facilitate programming of projects.

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

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7. Capital Programming Update

Director Bartlett pulled this item and asked how the funding gap will be filled with Measure M2 (M2) decreasing, potential challenges of funds not coming from state and federal sources, and provided additional comments. Director Bartlett asked what opportunities and challenges the Board of Directors would need to look toward.

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), stated that the M2 sales tax revenues have fluctuated, and this year the M2 forecast is up.

Andrew Oftelie, CFO, stated that the voters passed M2 in 2006, and OCTA anticipated that M2 sales tax revenues, over 30 years, would be \$24.3 billion. Mr. Oftelie highlighted the forecasts since the Great Recession, and the current M2 forecast by MuniServices, LLC and the three universities is now \$13.4 billion.

Kia Mortazavi, Executive Director of Planning, stated that this item combines funding sources for the projects, and M2 funds are being used to leverage state and federal funds, which allows OCTA to have shelf-ready projects.

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

- A. Authorize the use of up to \$46.592 million in State Route 91 Express Lane Excess Revenue funding for the following projects:
 - State Route 91 Improvement Project from State Route 57 to State Route 55 design phase of segments 1, 2, and 3 (\$31.592 million),
 - State Route 91 between State Route 241 and Interstate 15 (Orange County portion {\$15 million}).
- B. Authorize the use of up to \$11.500 million in Surface Transportation Block Grant and \$16.096 million in Measure M2 for the design phase of the following projects:
 - Interstate 5 Improvement Project from Yale Avenue to State Route 55 (Segment 2 {\$11.500 million in Surface Transportation Block Grant and \$2.398 million in Measure M2}),
 - State Route 55 Improvement Project from Interstate 5 to State Route 91 (\$8.921 million in Measure M2),
 - State Route 57 Improvement Project from Orangewood Avenue to Katella Avenue (\$4.777 million in Measure M2).

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7. (Continued)

- C. Authorize the use of \$2.448 million in additional Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement funds for the Interstate 5, State Route 55 to State Route 57 Project.
- 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 actions.

8. Consultant Selection for On-Call Traffic Engineering and Intelligent Transportation Systems Services

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

- A. Approve the selection of DKS Associates, Albert Grover & Associates, Inc., KOA Corporation, and Iteris, Inc., as the firms to provide on-call traffic engineering and intelligent transportation system services for regional traffic signal synchronization projects, in the aggregate amount of \$5,328,000.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1513 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and DKS Associates to provide on-call traffic engineering and intelligent transportation system services for five years with two, one-year option terms for regional traffic signal synchronization projects.
- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1810 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Albert Grover & Associates, Inc., to provide on-call traffic engineering and intelligent transportation system services for five years with two, one-year option terms for regional traffic signal synchronization projects.
- D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1811 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and KOA Corporation to provide on-call traffic engineering and intelligent transportation system services for five years with two, one-year option terms for regional traffic signal synchronization projects.

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8. (Continued)

E. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1812 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Iteris, Inc., to provide on-call traffic engineering and intelligent transportation system services for five years with two, one-year option terms for regional traffic signal synchronization projects.

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

Regular Calendar

9. Interstate 405 Improvement Project Update

Jeff Mills, Program Manager, Interstate 405 (405) Improvement Project, and Chris Boucly, 405 Project Outreach Manager, co-presented the PowerPoint presentation as follows:

- Project Location and Key Features;
- Background;
- Project Update;
- Construction Update:
 - Concrete paving operations,
 - o Retaining wall and soundwall construction,
 - o Fairview Road bridge and ramp construction,
 - Santa Ana River bridge construction,
 - Bushard Street bridge demolition and construction,
 - Magnolia Street bridge construction,
 - Westminster Boulevard bridge construction,
 - Bolsa Chica Road bridge construction;
- Look Ahead for Bridge Construction;
- Bridge Construction Map;
- Project Challenges;
- Schedule Mitigations Implemented;
- Community Engagement; and
- Upcoming Outreach.

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9. (Continued)

A discussion ensued regarding:

- Slide 5 "Concrete paving operations" of the PowerPoint was referenced as follows:
 - The cement takes approximately 10 days to cure before traffic can travel on the cemented area.
 - There is "rapid set" concrete that traffic can travel on the next day; however, the long-term maintenance is not as good.
- Slide 15, "Change management" bullet, of the PowerPoint was referenced as follows:
 - The "Change management" is related to cost and schedule scope changes to the contract.
 - OCTA's contract has mechanisms for the contractor to initiate a proposed change order.
 - OCTA has a tier level review for the contractor's proposed change order, which can be a challenge for a project of this large size.
- Slide 16, "archeological discovery" bullet, of the PowerPoint was referenced, and per state law, "archeological discovery" findings are sensitive and classified.

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

10. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell E. Johnson, CEO, reported on the following:

Happy New Year:

- Everyone was wished a happy new year.
- OCTA has a lot to look forward to in 2020, and excited to work with the Committee Members as OCTA advances projects, programs, and services.

New Year's Eve Free Service:

- For the 18th year in a row, OCTA continued the tradition of offering free bus rides on New Year's Eve.
- OCTA recorded more than 7,700 free rides this year which is up nearly 24 percent compared to last year and a great way to end the year.

Committee Chairman M. Murphy requested the paid bus service ridership data from the day prior to compare the free bus rides on New Year's Eve.

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MINUTES

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11. (Committee	Members'	Reports
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There were no Committee Members' reports.

12. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on Monday, February 3, 2020,** at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

ATTEST	
	Laurena Weinert
	Clerk of the Board
Mark A. Murphy	
Committee Chairman	

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