

## **Orange County Transportation Authority**

# Legislative and Communications Committee Agenda Thursday, July 18, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Board Room, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California

#### **Committee Members**

Donald P. Wagner, Chair Katrina Foley, Vice Chair Ashleigh Aitken Jon Dumitru Fred Jung Tam T. Nguyen Mark Tettemer

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#### LEGISLATIVE AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

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#### Call to Order

## Pledge of Allegiance

**Director Tettemer** 

#### **Closed Session**

There are no Closed Session items scheduled.

## **Special Calendar**

#### 1. Conference Call with State Legislative Advocate Moira Topp

Moira Topp/Lance M. Larson

## Overview

An update of Legislative items in Sacramento will be provided.

## **Consent Calendar (Items 2 and 3)**

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

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

Clerk of the Board

#### Recommendation

Approve the minutes of the June 20, 2024 Legislative and Communications Committee meeting.

#### Attachments:

#### Minutes

## 3. Amendment to Agreement for the Safety Education and Public Awareness Program for the OC Streetcar Project

Tresa Oliveri/Maggie McJilton

#### Overview

On July 25, 2022, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved an agreement with Katz & Associates. Inc. to plan and implement a safety education and public awareness program during the pre-operation phase of the OC Streetcar project for a two-year initial term with one, two-year option term, to provide a safety awareness and public education program for the OC Streetcar project.

## LEGISLATIVE AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

#### Recommendation(s)

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. C-2-2207 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Katz & Associates, Inc., to exercise the option term, in the amount of \$150,000, to maintain and extend the safety education and public awareness program effective September 1, 2024, and continuing through August 31, 2026. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$850,000.

#### Attachments:

Staff Report
Attachment A

## Regular Calendar

## 4. State Legislative Status Report

Clara Brotcke/Lance M. Larson

#### 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 recommended support position on legislation that would require the California State Transportation Agency to study how vehicle miles traveled is used as a metric for measuring transportation impacts and an overview of the adopted state budget for fiscal year 2024-25, including relevant budget trailer bills.

#### Recommendation(s)

Adopt a SUPPORT position on SB 768 (Caballero, D-Fresno), which would require the California State Transportation Agency to study how vehicles miles traveled is used as a metric for measuring transportation impacts under the California Environmental Quality Act.

#### Attachments:

Staff Report

Attachment A

Attachment B

#### LEGISLATIVE AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

#### 5. Federal Legislative Status Report

Alexis Carter/Lance M. Larson

#### Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority regularly updates the Legislative Communications Committee on policy and regulatory issues directly impacting agency's programs, projects, and operations. This status report includes information on House 2025 Transportation, Housing, fiscal vear and Urban Development appropriations bill and congressionally directed spending requests made by delegation members on behalf of the Orange County Transportation Authority. An overview of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's request to the Federal Transit Administration regarding transit assault data and summaries of hearings related to oversight of Amtrak, the California Air Resources Board In-Use Locomotive Regulation, and transit revenue and ridership post the coronavirus pandemic are also provided.

## Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as an information item.

#### Attachments:

Staff Report

**Attachment A** 

**Attachment B** 

Attachment C

#### **Discussion Items**

- 6. Public Comments
- 7. Chief Executive Officer's Report
- 8. Committee Members' Reports
- 9. Adjournment

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

9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 15, 2024

OCTA Headquarters, Board Room 550 South Main Street, Orange, California