



# **AGENDA**

## ***Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting***

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### **Committee Members**

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

Orange County Transportation Authority  
Headquarters  
Conference Room 07  
550 South Main Street  
Orange, California

**Monday, November 2, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.**

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**Guidance for Public Access to the Board of Directors/Committee Meeting (Continued)**

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**Call to Order**

**Roll Call**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Committee Chairman M. Murphy

**1. Public Comments**

**Special Calendar**

There are no Special Calendar matters.

**Consent Calendar (Items 2 through 6)**

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**

Approval of the minutes of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting of October 5, 2020.



**3. Consultant Selection for Traffic and Intelligent Transportation Systems Engineering Services for the Warner Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project**

Amy Tran/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

On May 11, 2020, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved the release of a request for proposals for a consultant to provide traffic and intelligent transportation systems engineering services for the Warner Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project. Board of Directors' approval is requested for the selection of the firm to perform the required work.

**Recommendations**

- A. Approve the selection of Iteris, Inc., as the firm to provide traffic and intelligent transportation systems engineering services for the Warner Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-0-2020 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Iteris Inc., to provide traffic and intelligent transportation systems engineering services for the Warner Avenue Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program Project.

**4. Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies Call Box Upgrade and Reduction Plan**

Patrick Sampson/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

The Orange County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies assists motorists and mitigates traffic congestion through its Freeway Call Box, 511 Motorist Assistance and Traveler Information, and Freeway Service Patrol programs. Staff is requesting Board of Directors' approval to reduce the number of freeway call boxes while performing a required equipment upgrade.

**Recommendation**

Authorize staff to reduce the number of freeway call boxes operated by the Orange County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies as part of a required call box radio upgrade.



**5. Agreement for Measure M2 Environmental Mitigation Program Interim Biological Preserve Monitoring**  
Lesley Hill/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

Consultant services are needed to provide biological monitoring of the conservation lands acquired through the Orange County Transportation Authority's Measure M2 Environmental Mitigation Program. Board of Directors' approval is requested to execute an agreement to perform the required work.

**Recommendations**

- A. Approve the selection of Glenn Lukos Associates, Inc., as the firm to provide biological monitoring of the Orange County Transportation Authority's acquired conservation lands.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-0-2479 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Glenn Lukos Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$350,000, to provide biological monitoring of the Orange County Transportation Authority's acquired conservation lands for a three-year term.

**6. Regional Planning Update**  
Warren Whiteaker/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

Regional planning updates are provided regularly to highlight transportation planning issues impacting the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Southern California region. This update focuses on the Southern California Association of Governments' 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and the state's California Transportation Plan 2050.

**Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.



## Regular Calendar

### 7. Amendments to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways

Stephanie Chhan/Kia Mortazavi

#### Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority administers the Master Plan of Arterial Highways, including the review and approval of amendments requested by local agencies. The City of Santa Ana has requested multiple amendments to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways. These amendments are subject to approval by the Board of Directors and are recommended to be contingent on an executed memorandum of understanding to address potential impacts. A status update on the active Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendments is also provided.

#### Recommendations

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to negotiate and execute a final memorandum of understanding specifying roles and responsibilities for implementation of proposed actions related to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment request. Participating agencies include the cities of Fountain Valley, Santa Ana, Tustin, and the Orange County Transportation Authority.
  
- B. Conditionally approve the following amendment to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways to:
  - 1. Reclassify the following streets from a secondary (four-lane, undivided) arterial to a divided collector (two-lane divided):
    - i. Cambridge Street between Fairhaven Avenue and State Route 22.
    - ii. Santa Clara Avenue between Grand Avenue and Tustin Avenue.
    - iii. Broadway Street between 1st Street and 17th Street.
    - iv. Penn Way between Interstate 5 southbound on/off-ramps and Washington Avenue.
    - v. Santiago Avenue between Washington Avenue and 6th Street.
    - vi. Standard Avenue between 6th Street and Warner Avenue.
    - vii. Civic Center Drive between Fairview Street and Bristol Street.
    - viii. Hazard Avenue between Euclid Street and Harbor Boulevard.



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- ix. Raitt Street between Segerstrom Avenue and Santa Ana Boulevard.
- x. McFadden Avenue between Harbor Boulevard and Grand Avenue.
- xi. Flower Street between Warner Avenue and First Street.
- xii. Halladay Avenue between Warner Avenue and Dyer Road.
- xiii. Chestnut Avenue between Standard Avenue and Grand Avenue.
- 2. Reclassify Civic Center Drive between French Street and Santiago Street, from a secondary (four-lane, undivided) arterial to a collector (two-lane, undivided) arterial.
- 3. Reclassify 1st Street between Bristol Street and Tustin Avenue, from a major (six-lane, divided) to a primary (four-lane, divided) arterial.
- 4. Reclassify Chestnut Avenue between Grand Avenue the eastern city limit, from a primary (four-lane, divided) to a divided collector (two-lane, divided) arterial.
- 5. Remove the following facilities from the Master Plan of Arterial Highways:
  - i. Flower Street between 17th Street and its northern terminus.
  - ii. Logan Street between Stafford Street and Santa Ana Boulevard.
  - iii. Stafford Street between proposed Logan Street and Santiago Street.

The proposed amendment will become final contingent upon the Orange County Transportation Authority (1) fully executing a final memorandum of understanding with the cities of Fountain Valley, Santa Ana, and Tustin, and (2) receiving documentation that the City of Santa Ana has complied with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act and have amended their general plan.

If the original proposed Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment is modified as a result of the California Environmental Quality Act and/or general plan amendment process, the modified Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment shall be returned to the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors for consideration and action.



**7. (Continued)**

- C. Conditionally approve the amendment to the Master Plan for Arterial Highways for Fairhaven Avenue between Grand Avenue to Tustin Avenue from a secondary (four-lane, undivided) arterial to a divided collector (two-lane, divided) arterial. The proposed amendment will become final contingent upon the Orange County Transportation Authority receiving documentation that the cities of Santa Ana and Orange have complied with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act and have amended their respective general plans.

If the cities of Santa Ana and Orange do not update their respective general plans within three years to reflect the Master Plan of Arterial Highway amendment, the contingent amendment will expire, but can be returned to the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors for reconsideration and action.

If the original proposed Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment is modified as a result of the California Environmental Quality Act and/or general plan amendment process, the modified Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment shall be returned to the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors for consideration and action.

- D. Direct the Executive Director of Planning, or his designee, to file a Notice of Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act in support of the Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment.
- E. Receive and file a status report on the active Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendments.

**8. Consultant Selection for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the Interstate 5 Widening Project Between Yale Avenue and State Route 55**

Niall Barrett/James G. Beil

**Overview**

On June 22, 2020, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved the release of a request for proposals for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the Interstate 5 Widening Project between Yale Avenue and State Route 55. Board of Directors' approval is requested for the selection of a firm to perform the required work.



**8. (Continued)**

**Recommendations**

- A. Approve the selection of TranSystems Corporation as the firm to prepare the plans, specifications, and estimates for the Interstate 5 Widening Project between Yale Avenue and State Route 55.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-0-2371 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and TranSystems Corporation for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the Interstate 5 Widening Project between Yale Avenue and State Route 55.

**9. Active Transportation Program Biannual Update**

Peter Sotherland/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority coordinates regional active transportation efforts in Orange County. An update on recent and upcoming activities is provided for review.

**Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.

**Discussion Items**

**10. Chief Executive Officer's Report**

**11. Committee Members' Reports**

**12. Closed Session**

There are no Closed Session items scheduled.

**13. Adjournment**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on Monday, December 7, 2020**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, Conference Room 07, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.