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## **BOARD AGENDA**

Orange County Transportation Authority Board Meeting  
Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters  
Board Room - Conference Room 07-08  
550 South Main Street  
Orange, California  
**Monday, July 12, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**

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### **Agenda Descriptions**

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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**

### **Invocation**

Director Delgleize

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Director Nguyen

### **Special Calendar**

There are no Special Calendar matters.



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**BOARD AGENDA****Consent Calendar (Items 1 through 14)**

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.

**Orange County Transportation Authority Consent Calendar Matters****1. Approval of Minutes**

Approval of the Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies' regular meeting minutes of June 28, 2021.

**2. Coronavirus Update**

Darrell E. Johnson

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority continues to take proactive measures in response to the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic in relation to transportation services, programs, and projects. The response efforts are centered around agency core values, helping to ensure the health and safety of the public and employees while continuing to provide essential transportation services and deliver critical infrastructure improvements. An overview and update on these efforts is presented.

**Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.

**3. Orange County Transportation Authority Investment and Debt Programs Report - May 2021**

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 May 31, 2021.



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**BOARD AGENDA****3. (Continued)****Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.

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

Denise Arriaga Ibarra/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority provides grants to local agencies through various state and federal funding programs. Status reports on these programs, as well as project changes, are presented for review and approval. An update on the Solutions for Congestion Corridors Program 2018 program of projects is also provided.

**Recommendation**

- A. Approve schedule delay requests from the cities of Irvine, La Habra, Santa Ana, and the County of Orange.
- B. Approve amendment requests from the City of Brea contingent upon partial funding award through Cycle 5 of the Active Transportation Program or any subsequent program augmentations.
- C. 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.



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**5. Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program Call for Projects**

Jennifer Haith Farinas/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

The Orange Transportation Authority offers grant opportunities to non-profit organizations and local public agencies to help meet the transportation needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities. The Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program augments existing OC Bus fixed-route service, OC ACCESS, and the Senior Mobility Program in Orange County. The Board of Directors is requested to approve the guidelines and release the 2021 Orange County Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program call for projects.

**Recommendations**

- A. Approve the guidelines for the Orange County Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program call for projects.
- B. Direct staff to issue the Orange County Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program call for projects using up to \$4 million in local funding.

**6. 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 jurisdictions. The cities of Anaheim, Brea, and Yorba Linda have requested amendments to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways that are recommended for Board of Directors' approval. An update on pending Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendments is also provided.



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**BOARD AGENDA****6. (Continued)****Recommendations**

- A. Conditionally approve the following amendments to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways:

City of Brea and County of Orange

1. Delete Tonner Canyon Road between Brea Canyon Road and the future extension of Valencia Avenue; and
2. Delete Valencia Avenue between Carbon Canyon Road and the future extension of Tonner Canyon Road.

Cities of Yorba Linda and Anaheim

3. Reclassify Yorba Linda Boulevard between La Palma Avenue and the State Route 91 westbound off-ramp from a primary (four-lane, divided) arterial to an asymmetric major (seven-lane, divided) arterial;
4. Reclassify Yorba Linda Boulevard/Weir Canyon Road between the State Route 91 westbound off-ramp and the State Route 91 eastbound on-ramp from a primary (four-lane, divided) arterial to a major (six-lane, divided) arterial;
5. Add Savi Ranch Parkway between Pullman Street and Old Canal Road as a primary (four-lane, divided) arterial; and
6. Add Old Canal Road/Pullman Street as a divided collector (two-lane, divided).

Each of the proposed amendments will become final, contingent upon the Orange County Transportation Authority receiving documentation confirming that the respective agency or agencies have amended their general plans accordingly and have complied with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

If a general plan is not updated within three years to reflect the proposed Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment, the contingent amendment will expire, but can be returned to the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors for reconsideration and action.



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**BOARD AGENDA****6. (Continued)**

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

- B. Approve the amendment to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways to reclassify Santa Ana Canyon Road between Roosevelt Avenue and Weir Canyon Road from a major (six-lane, divided) arterial to an asymmetric primary (five-lane, divided) arterial.
- C. Direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act in support of the Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment.

**Orange County Transit District Consent Calendar Matters****7. OC Flex Microtransit Service Pilot Program Update**

Jack Garate/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

In October 2018, the Orange County Transportation Authority initiated a microtransit service pilot program, branded as OC Flex, operating in two areas of Orange County where transit demand does not support traditional fixed-route service. The pilot program is intended to match resources with changing demand, increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of the Orange County transit system. This report provides an overview of the OC Flex demand and performance during the third year of operation and highlights challenges faced due to the coronavirus pandemic.

**Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.



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**8. Award of Sole Source Agreement for the Purchase of Bus Engines**  
Dayle Withers/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority operates a fleet of 173 New Flyer Xcelsior compressed natural gas-powered buses, model year 2016, that are due for midlife overhaul maintenance, which includes engine replacement. The proposed replacement engine has been certified by the California Air Resources Board as a near-zero-emission engine, which will further decrease the emissions profile of the entire bus fleet. Only one engine manufacturer is certified to meet these emissions standards. Board of Directors' approval is requested to execute a sole source agreement.

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Purchase Order No. C-1-3417 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Cummins Pacific, LLC, in the amount of \$12,525,823, for the purchase of 173 Cummins L9N, 8.9-liter, compressed natural gas-powered engines.

**9. August 2021 Bus Service Change**  
Jorge Duran/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

California is emerging from the coronavirus pandemic and the stay-at-home orders that were put in place to protect public health are being phased out. The return of economic activity is expected to increase demand for bus transit service. In response, the Orange County Transportation Authority is implementing a mid-summer service change. The proposed August 2021 bus service change represents the largest increase in service since the start of the pandemic. The additional service is intended to address expected ridership increases related to the return of in-person instruction for schools, colleges, and universities, and the resurgence of hospitality industry activities.

**Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.





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**BOARD AGENDA****Orange County Local Transportation Authority Consent Calendar Matters****10. Consultant Selection for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project Between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue**

Niall Barrett/James G. Beil

**Overview**

On March 8, 2021, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved the release of a request for proposals for consultant services to prepare plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue. Board of Directors' approval is requested for the selection of a firm to perform the required work.

**Recommendations**

- A. Approve the selection of Parsons Transportation Group Inc., as the firm to prepare the plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.
  
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-1-3298 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Parsons Transportation Group Inc., for the preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 57 Northbound Improvement Project between Orangewood Avenue and Katella Avenue.



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**11. Contract Change Order for the Interstate 405 Improvement Project from State Route 73 to Interstate 605**

Jeff Mills/James G. Beil

**Overview**

On November 14, 2016, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved Agreement No. C-5-3843 with OC 405 Partners, a joint venture, for the design and construction of the Interstate 405 Improvement Project from State Route 73 to Interstate 605. A contract change order is needed at this time to compensate OC 405 Partners for additional design and construction efforts related to intersection and sidewalk improvements at Garden Grove Boulevard.

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 99 to Agreement No. C-5-3843 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and OC 405 Partners, a joint venture, in the amount of \$470,000, to design and construct intersection and sidewalk improvements at the intersection of Garden Grove Boulevard and the Interstate 405 northbound off-ramp.

**12. Cooperative Agreement with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority for the Irvine Station Improvements Project**

Jason Lee/James G. Beil

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority, in coordination with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority, is working in cooperation to implement improvement at the Irvine Station. A cooperative agreement is necessary to define roles, responsibilities, and funding for the preliminary engineering and environmental phase of the Irvine Station Improvements Project.

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3425 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority for the preliminary engineering and environmental phase of the Irvine Station Improvements Project.



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**BOARD AGENDA****13. Consultant Selection for Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Services for the Irvine Station Improvements Project**

Jason Lee/James G. Beil

**Overview**

On October 26, 2020, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved the release of a request for proposals for preliminary engineering and environmental services for the Irvine Station Improvements Project. Board of Directors' approval is requested for the selection of a firm to perform the required work.

**Recommendations**

- A. Approve the selection of AECOM Technical Services, Inc., as the firm to provide preliminary engineering and environmental services for the Irvine Station Improvements Project.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-0-2604 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and AECOM Technical Services, Inc., for preliminary engineering and environmental services for the Irvine Station Improvements Project.

**14. Measure M2 Community-Based Transit Circulators Program Project V Ridership Report**

Alfonso Hernandez/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

Measure M2 includes a program to fund Community-Based Transit Circulators known as Project V. The goal of the program is to provide local transit services designed to complement regional transit services. Funding is awarded to local jurisdictions through a competitive call for projects and local jurisdictions then implement the awarded services. Ridership reports for Project V-funded services are presented to the Board of Directors twice annually. This item provides the ridership report for the second and third quarters of fiscal year 2020-21, from October 2020 through March 2021. It also provides a brief update on Project V program-related activities.



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### **14. (Continued)**

#### **Recommendations**

- A. Receive and file Project V Ridership Report as an information item.
- B. Release contingency for the award of \$171,810 in M2 Project V capital funds for Dana Point's replacement vehicle.

### **Regular Calendar**

#### **Orange County Transit District Regular Calendar Matters**

### **15. Youth Ride Free Promotional Pass Expanded to Include 18 and Under Ryan Maloney/Maggie McJilton**

#### **Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority plans to launch a promotional free pass for youth ages 13 and under in September 2021, funded by Low Carbon Transit Operation Program grant funds. Based on feedback from the Board of Directors, staff is recommending expanding the eligible age of the pass to include ages 18 and under. The revised promotional "Youth Ride Free" pass would be available to all youth riders (six to 18 years old), from September 2021 to February 2022.

#### **Recommendations**

- A. Expand the eligible age of the current "13 and Under Ride Free" youth fare promotion from six to 13 years old to include ages 14 to 18 years old.
- B. Authorize staff to make all necessary amendments, as well as execute any necessary agreements to facilitate the above recommendation.



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**BOARD AGENDA****Orange County Local Transportation Authority Regular Calendar Matters**

- 16. OC Streetcar Project Quarterly Update**  
Ross Lew/James G. Beil

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority is implementing the OC Streetcar project, and updates are provided to the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis. This report provides an update on OC Streetcar project activities from April 2021 through June 2021.

**Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.

- 17. Contract Change Order for Exploratory Potholing Allowance for the Construction of the OC Streetcar Project**  
Ross Lew/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. A contract change order is required for work to address exploratory potholing.

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 56.1 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$1,100,000, for additional exploratory potholing allowance for the construction of the OC Streetcar project.



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## **BOARD AGENDA**

### **Discussion Items**

**18. 2021 Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer Initiatives and Action Plan - Mid-Year Report**

Darrell E. Johnson

On January 25, 2021, the Board of Directors approved the 2021 Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer's Initiatives and Action Plan. The Action Plan consists of three Board of Directors initiatives broken down into nine Chief Executive Officer initiatives to be monitored through 96 milestones throughout the calendar year.

**19. Public Comments**

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

**21. Directors' Reports**

**22. Closed Session**

There are no Closed Sessions scheduled.

**23. Adjournment**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board will be held at **9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 26, 2021**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, Board Room - Conference Room 07-08, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.