



# **AGENDA**

## ***Transit Committee Meeting***

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### **Committee Members**

Tim Shaw, Chairman  
Harry S. Sidhu, Vice Chairman  
Doug Chaffee  
Andrew Do  
Steve Jones  
Tam Nguyen  
Vicente Sarmiento

Orange County Transportation Authority  
Headquarters  
Conference Room 07  
550 South Main Street  
Orange, California  
**Thursday, June 10, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**

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Agenda descriptions are intended to give members of the public a general summary of items of business to be transacted or discussed. The posting of the recommended actions does not indicate what action will be taken. The Committee may take any action which it deems to be appropriate on the agenda item and is not limited in any way by the notice of the recommended action.

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### **Guidance for Public Access to the Board of Directors/Committee Meeting**

On March 12, 2020 and March 18, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom enacted Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 authorizing a local legislative body to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and make public meetings accessible telephonically or electronically to all members of the public to promote social distancing due to the state and local State of Emergency resulting from the threat of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).

In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20, and in order to ensure the safety of the OCTA Board of Directors (Board) and staff and for the purposes of limiting the risk of COVID-19, in-person public participation at public meetings of the OCTA will not be allowed during the time period covered by the above-referenced Executive Orders.

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

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In order to ensure that staff has the ability to provide comments to the Board Members in a timely manner, please submit your public comments **90 minutes prior to the start time of the Board and Committee meeting date.**

### **Call to Order**

### **Roll Call**

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Director Nguyen

#### **1. Public Comments**

### **Special Calendar**

There are no Special Calendar matters.

### **Consent Calendar (Items 2 through 7)**

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 Transit Committee meeting of May 13, 2021.



3. **Award of Agreement for the Purchase of Battery Chargers for 40-Foot Plug-In Battery-Electric Buses**  
Dayle Withers/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved the purchase of ten battery-electric buses for use as a pilot for operation of OC Bus fixed-route service. Charging the buses will require a combination of electrical infrastructure provided by Southern California Edison through the Charge Ready Transport Program and battery chargers secured through a separate procurement. Staff is requesting Board of Directors' approval to award an agreement for battery chargers necessary to support the battery-electric bus pilot.

**Recommendations**

- A. Find La Marche Manufacturing Co. and Siemens Industry Inc., the apparent low bidders, as non-responsive for failure to bid on approved equipment that meets the technical specifications as identified in the invitations for bid.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-0-2731 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and One Source Distributors, in the amount of \$863,079, to provide ten battery chargers for 40-foot plug-in battery-electric buses.

4. **Amendment to Agreement for 40-Foot Compressed Natural Gas-Powered Buses**  
Dayle Withers/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

On October 12, 2020, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved the selection of GILLIG LLC, as the firm to provide up to 165, 40-foot compressed natural gas-powered buses, with an option to purchase up to 134 additional buses. Bus configuration changes have been identified through the ongoing design review process and an amendment is necessary to incorporate these changes.



**4. (Continued)**

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. C-9-1836 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and GILLIG LLC, in the amount of \$1,486,105, for configuration changes on up to 165, 40-foot compressed natural gas-powered buses with an option to purchase up to 134 additional buses. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$101,857,705.

**5. Joint Agreement with the County of Orange for the Operation, Maintenance, and Financial Management of the Orange County 800 Megahertz Countywide Coordinated Communications System**

Timothy W. Beseau/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

On December 13, 2004, the Board of Directors approved a joint agreement with the County of Orange for the operation, maintenance, and financial management of the Orange County 800 Megahertz Countywide Coordinated Communications System. The Orange County Transportation Authority utilizes both the Countywide Coordinated Communications System and its own Intelligent Transit Management System to provide an integrated, robust, and redundant communication network with interoperable connectivity to the Orange County Sheriff's Department, Transit Police Services, and other County emergency management agencies. The Countywide Coordinated Communications System Governance Committee and County of Orange have developed a new agreement for continued membership.

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3535 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the County of Orange, in the amount of \$90,315, to share in the cost of the operation, maintenance, and repair of the Orange County Transportation Authority equipment used on the system, equipment replacement, and financial management of the Countywide Coordinated Communications System for fiscal year 2021-22. Amendments for each subsequent fiscal year budget will be brought forth to the Board of Directors for consideration on an annual basis.



- 6. Federal Transit Administration Program of Projects for Federal Fiscal Year 2020-21, Federal Coronavirus, Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Transit Funding**  
Heidi Busslinger/Kia Mortazavi

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority annually prepares a program of projects to secure Federal Transit Administration formula grants for capital projects, capital cost of contracting, and preventive maintenance. The federal fiscal year 2020-21 program, including amendments to prior programs, is presented for Board of Directors' review and approval. Also included are recommendations for the use of federal transit funding being provided through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

**Recommendations**

- A. Approve the federal fiscal year 2020-21 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula, Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, Section 5337 State of Good Repair, and Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program of projects, including federal and local funds, and the use of match credit for projects included in this report.
- B. Approve the five-year programming plans for Federal Transit Administration Sections 5307, 5310, 5337, and 5339.
- C. Authorize the acceptance and use of \$1.207 million in Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Competitive Program funds and \$0.386 million of local match funds for rehabilitation and renovation projects at the Orange County Transportation Authority bus facilities.
- D. Authorize the use of \$43.489 million in Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (Public Law 116-260) funds and \$186.658 million in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2) funds for bus and rail operating expenses.
- E. Authorize staff to adjust individual project funding consistent with final apportionments and eligibility determinations through the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, and direct staff to include updated numbers in grant and programming status reports.



**6. (Continued)**

- F. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to submit the Federal Transit Administration grant applications required for the recommendations above to the Federal Transit Administration.
- G. 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.

**7. Amendments to Cooperative Agreements with Special Agencies for the Provision of Transportation Services**

Joanne Jacobsen/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority contracts with six special agencies to assist in providing and managing the demand for OC ACCESS service. On October 22, 2018, the Board of Directors approved five-year cooperative agreements with six special agencies to provide this service. 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 special agencies for the provision of transportation services.

**Recommendations**

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No C-8-1917 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and North County Senior Services, LLC, doing business as Acacia Adult Day Services, for continued services and to adjust the per trip rate to \$16.55, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This increase in rate will not change the current contract maximum obligation of \$1,302,621 due to sufficient underruns that cover the projected expenses due to the coronavirus pandemic.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1918 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Alzheimer's Family Center for continued services and to adjust the per trip rate to \$16.55, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This increase in rate will not change the current contract maximum obligation of \$1,343,599 due to sufficient underruns that cover the projected expenses due to the coronavirus pandemic.



**7. (Continued)**

- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1919 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Alzheimer's Orange County for continued services and to adjust the per trip rate to \$16.55, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This increase in rate will not change the current contract maximum obligation of \$566,323, due to sufficient underruns that cover the projected expenses due to the coronavirus pandemic.
- D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1920 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Community SeniorServ, doing business as Meals on Wheels Orange County, for continued services and to adjust the per trip rate to \$16.55, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This increase in rate will not change the current contract maximum obligation of \$1,362,793, due to sufficient underruns that cover the projected expenses due to the coronavirus pandemic.
- E. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-8-1921 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Orange County Adult Achievement Center, doing business as My Day Counts, for continued services and to adjust the per trip rate to \$16.18, and the Regional Center of Orange County pass-through per trip rate to \$6.18, for continued services effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This increase in rate will not change the contract maximum obligation of \$3,111,668, due to sufficient underruns that cover the projected expenses due to the coronavirus pandemic.

**Regular Calendar**

- 8. Amendment to Agreement for the Design of the OC Streetcar Project**  
Ross Lew/James G. Beil

**Overview**

On September 14, 2015, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved an agreement with HNTB Corporation for preparation of plans, specifications, and estimates for the OC Streetcar project. An amendment to the agreement is necessary for additional design support services.



**8. (Continued)**

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 11 to Agreement No. C-5-3337 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and HNTB Corporation, in the amount of \$2,500,000, and extend the agreement term through September 30, 2022, for continued OC Streetcar project design support services during construction. This will increase the maximum cumulative obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$26,083,841.

**9. Bus Operations Performance Measurements Report for the Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2020-21**

Johnny Dunning, Jr./Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

The Orange County Transportation Authority operates fixed-route bus and demand-response paratransit service throughout Orange County and into neighboring counties. The established measures of performance for these services assess the safety, courtesy, reliability, and overall quality of the services. This report summarizes the year-to-date performance of these services through the third quarter of fiscal year 2020-21.

**Recommendation**

Receive and file as an information item.

**10. Amendment to the Agreement with First Transit, Inc., for the Provision of Contracted Fixed-Route Service**

Eileen Bruggeman/Jennifer L. Bergener

**Overview**

On March 23, 2015, the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors approved an agreement with First Transit, Inc., for the management and operation of contracted fixed-route, Stationlink, and express bus services. The initial term of the agreement expired on May 31, 2019. The first option term was exercised in 2019 and expired May 31, 2021. To ensure continuity of these services, until this item could be finalized and brought before the Board of Directors, an administrative amendment was executed to extend the agreement through June 30, 2021. At this time, staff seeks Board of Directors' approval to exercise the second and final, two-year option term and apply revised rates for the option term through June 10, 2023.





**10. (Continued)**

**Recommendation**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 14 to Agreement No. C-4-1737 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and First Transit, Inc., in the amount of \$69,714,520, to exercise the second two-year option term to provide contracted fixed-route services through May 31, 2023, with adjustment of the end date to June 10, 2023, and permit reimbursement of First Transit, Inc. expenses related to maintaining a state of readiness and eligible for federal funding at amounts not to exceed \$5,000,000 for the first and \$3,000,000 for the second year of the option term, increasing the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$315,856,805.

**Discussion Items**

**11. Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget Workshop Follow-up**

Victor Velasquez/Andrew Oftelie

Budget staff is available for follow-up questions, issues, or concerns that may have arisen at and/or since the budget workshop conducted with the Board of Directors on May 10, 2021.

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

**13. Committee Members' Reports**

**14. Closed Session**

There are no Closed Session items scheduled.

**15. Adjournment**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 8, 2021**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, Conference Room 07, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.