



MINUTES

Transit Committee Meeting

Committee Members Present Via Teleconference

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

Staff Present

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer
Andrea West, Interim Clerk of the Board
Allison Cheshire, Clerk of the Board Specialist, Senior
Gina Ramirez, Clerk of the Board Specialist, Senior

Via Teleconference

Jennifer L. Bergener, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Cassie Trapesonian, Assistant General Counsel
OCTA Staff

Committee Members Absent None

Call to Order

The November 11, 2021, regular meeting of the Transit Committee (Committee) was called to order by Committee Chairman Shaw at 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call

Allison Cheshire, Clerk of the Board Specialist, Senior, conducted an attendance roll call and announced a quorum of the Committee.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Jones led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

Special Calendar

There were no Special Calendar matters.

Consent Calendar (Items 2 through 4)

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Sidhu, seconded by Director Sarmiento, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 7-0, to approve the minutes of the Transit Committee meeting of October 14, 2021.

3. Cooperative Agreement with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority for the Coastal Rail Infrastructure Improvements Project

A motion was made by Director Sidhu, seconded by Director Sarmiento, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 7-0, to:

- A. Request to amend the Orange County Transportation Authority Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget by \$700,000, to accommodate Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3828 with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority to develop long-term solutions along the coastal rail corridor to protect the railroad against future tidal and landslide risks.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3828 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority, in the amount of \$700,000, to prepare a Project Definition Report for the Coastal Rail Infrastructure Improvements Project.

4. Funding Recommendations for the 2021 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program

A motion was made by Director Sidhu, seconded by Director Sarmiento, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 7-0, to:

- A. Approve the award of \$2.750 million in local funding to 14 applications submitted for consideration of funding through the Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute cooperative agreements with selected applicants to receive funding through the Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Disabled Grant Program.

Regular Calendar

5. Cooperative Agreement with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority for Railroad Track Stabilization in the City of San Clemente

Jason Lee, Project Manager, III, and Justin Fornelli, Chief of Program Delivery, Metrolink, provided a PowerPoint presentation on this item.

A discussion ensued regarding:

- Deviation standards for track movement;
- Responsible parties for maintenance and repair of the area around the track;
- Funding for long-term restoration of track area; and
- Track monitoring system and response.

A motion was made by Director Nguyen, seconded by Director Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 7-0, to

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3749 with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority in the amount up to \$5,000,000, to stabilize the railroad track structure in the City of San Clemente.
- B. Amend the Orange County Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget by \$5,000,000, to accommodate Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-3749 for the railroad track stabilization work.

Discussion Items

6. OC Bus and OC ACCESS Services Update

Johnny Dunning, Jr., Department Manager of Scheduling and Bus Operations Support, and Ryan Maloney, Section Manager of Marketing and Customer Service, provided a PowerPoint presentation on this item.

No action was taken on this item.

7. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), reported on the following:

Veterans Appreciation Event

- Today, OCTA is hosting the annual Veterans Appreciation event to honor OCTA employees who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.
- Employees who have a child or grandchild in the military will also be recognized.

8. Committee Members' Reports

Director Jones inquired about how to position OCTA to take advantage of funds available under the proposed infrastructure bill for OC Streetcar connectivity to Harbor Boulevard.



Mr. Johnson, CEO, commented that staff has been discussing the infrastructure bill and funding that may be available. OCTA is positioned for projects underway and can move into the environmental phase to be ready. Harbor Boulevard has the most promise for the next stage for OC Streetcar.

Committee Vice Chairman Sidhu commented that the City of Anaheim would discuss the OC Streetcar connectivity from Anaheim to Fullerton.

Director Sarmiento commented that OCTA should position itself to be able to obtain funds as soon as possible.

Director Do suggested Bristol Street as a future option in addition to Harbor Boulevard and to consider connectivity to California State University, Fullerton.

Mr. Johnson, CEO, commented that staff can bring this item to the next scheduled Transit Committee in December.

Committee Chairman Shaw commented that he plans to attend the OCTA Veteran's Day event later in the day and acknowledged former Director Winterbottom in remembrance of his past attendance and support of the annual event.

9. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

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



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ATTEST

Tim Shaw
Committee Chairman

Allison Cheshire
Clerk of the Board Specialist