

**Public Member Seat - Interviews
Conducted on December 12, 2016**

(In alphabetical order is a summary of the two highest ranked candidates.)

Question Number One:	
What interests you about this position? What led you to apply for the Public Member Seat?	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
<p>Response to Question One:</p> <p>Mr. Winterbottom has long-term institutional knowledge of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and predecessor agencies since 1977 with ongoing commitment, as well as familiarity with the OC Bus 360 and the OCTA rail planning.</p>	<p>Response to Question One:</p> <p>Mr. Wright is a transit rider and familiar with OCTA and believes in strong transportation branding. He is a CPA with business economics orientation, has infrastructure knowledge, and believes in data informed versus data driven decision process. He also stated that it is a challenge to plan 30-40 years in advance</p>
Question Number Two:	
Please provide an example when you asserted yourself as a leader to accomplish a result in a challenging situation.	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
<p>Response to Question Two:</p> <p>Mr. Winterbottom has led the OCTA nine new Member Board of Directors in 2013 and was last Chairman of the prior ten Member Board of Directors. In addition, the OCTA CenterLine project had controversy and challenges.</p>	<p>Response to Question Two:</p> <p>Mr. Wright dealt with Guild versus unions issue in Rotterdam. His approach is to “drain the swamp” and get to the issue and “get the noise out of system.”</p>

Question Number Three:	
What do you view as the biggest opportunity in front of OCTA?	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
Response to Question Three: Mr. Winterbottom wants to resolve the OCTA ACCESS issue and explore service models that attract Millennials.	Response to Question Three: Mr. Wright read the OCTA Strategic Plan and recommends changing the service models to attract Millennials and elderly, as well as review driverless cars. In addition, he stated to address the OCTA ACCESS and sales tax revenue issues.
Question Number Four:	
Tell us about a transportation project that affects or has affected your community.	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
Response to Question Four: Mr. Winterbottom stated that OC Bus 360° and addition of BRAVO bus routes have affected bus transit, as well as Project V supplements bus service. In addition, augmentation of ACCESS.	Response to Question Four: Mr. Wright stated that OC Bus 360° has affected transportation. He uses Route 758 and the quality has declined. There are training and timing issues. He knew the rates.
Question Number Five:	
Describe an ethical dilemma that you've experienced in your professional life and how you dealt with it.	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
Response to Question Five: Mr. Winterbottom described the Orange County Consolidated Transportation Service Agency and OCTA Board switch.	Response to Question Five: Mr. Wright described an incident where a neighbor stole another neighbor's jewelry.

Question Number Six: What experience have you had approving budgets? Tell us how you would approach assessing and responding to the annual budget at OCTA.	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
Response to Question Six: Mr. Winterbottom referenced OCTA's \$1.6 billion fiscal year 2013 budget workshop.	Response to Question Six: Mr. Wright is a CPA and has done economic models for mega million budgets. He has experience with a \$500 million budget assembly for a mining company, \$24 million oversight as Department Chair, and Global IT Director, RioTinto.
Question Number Seven: This position is time intensive and can require travel to all corners of Orange County, as well as familiarity with transportation issues surrounding OC. How will the time requirements of the OCTA Board fit with your current commitments?	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
Response to Question Seven: Mr. Winterbottom is retired and has time. His Metrolink and MSRC attendance is 100 percent.	Response to Question Seven: Mr. Wright is flexible and Concordia's role is to be active in the community.
Question Number Eight: What questions do you have for us?	
Greg Winterbottom	George Wright
Response to Question Eight: Mr. Winterbottom stated that ACCESS is a big challenge with three percent of the ridership and 28 percent of the costs.	Response to Question Eight: Mr. Wright did not have any questions.