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# Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting

### **Committee Members Present**

Lori Donchak, Chair Shawn Nelson, Vice Chairman Andrew Do Barbara Delgleize Michelle Steel

# **Committee Members Absent**

Mark A. Murphy Todd Spitzer

### Staff Present

Darrell Johnson, Chief Executive Officer Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Laurena Weinert, Clerk of the Board Olga Prado, Assistant Clerk of the Board James Donich, General Counsel OCTA Staff and Members of the General Public

### Call to Order

The April 3, 2017 regular meeting of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Donchak at 10:32 a.m.

# **Pledge of Allegiance**

Committee Vice Chairman Nelson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 1. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

# **Special Calendar**

There were no Special Calendar matters.

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

# 2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Steel, and declared passed by those present, to approve the minutes of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting of March 6, 2017.

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# 3. Sole Source Agreement for Freeway Service Patrol Data Collection and Tracking Software Development

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Steel, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute sole source Agreement No. C-7-1557 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Los Alamos Technical Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$250,000, to develop and implement improvements to the LATATrax software for a five-year term.
- B. Amend the Orange County Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2016-17 adopted Budget to transfer \$50,000 from Account 0013-7519-S1002-TC2 to Capital Account 0013-9028-S1002-TC2.

# 4. Fiscal Year 2016-17 Measure M2 Annual Eligibility Review

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Steel, and declared passed by those present, to approve all local jurisdictions as conditionally eligible for Measure M2 net revenues for fiscal year 2016-17, and direct staff to return with eligibility findings for local jurisdictions pending the adoption and submittal of fiscal year 2015-16 expenditure reports by local agencies.

5. Fiscal Year 2017-18 Measure M2 Maintenance of Effort Adjustment and Updates to the Eligibility and Local Signal Synchronization Plan Guidelines

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Steel, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Approve the maintenance of effort benchmark adjustment for the fiscal year 2017-18 eligibility cycle.
- B. Approve the fiscal year 2017-18 Measure M2 Eligibility Guidelines.
- C. Approve the Local Signal Synchronization Plan Guidelines.

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#### 6. Agreement for Regional Modeling-Traffic Operations On-Call Support Staffing

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Steel, and declared passed by those present, to:

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- Α. Approve the selection of W. G. Zimmerman Engineering, Inc., as the firm to provide on-call support staffing on an as-needed basis for regional modeling-traffic operations.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-6-1493 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and W. G. Zimmerman Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$400,000, for a two-year initial term through April 30, 2019, with one, two-year option term to provide on-call support staffing on an as-needed basis for regional modeling-traffic operations.
- 7. Three-Year Agreement with the Center for Demographic Research at California State University, Fullerton from Fiscal Year 2017-18 to Fiscal Year 2019-20

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Steel, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute a three-year agreement through fiscal year 2019-20, in an amount not to exceed \$282,006, with the Center for Demographic Research at California State University, Fullerton.

# Regular Calendar

8. Guidance for Administration of the Orange County Master Plan of Arterial **Highways Related to Complete Streets** 

Darrell Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), provided opening remarks and introduced Joseph Alcock, Section Manager, Corridor Studies, who provided a PowerPoint presentation as follows:

- Master Plan of Arterial Highways (MPAH) Overview;
- Complete Streets, Traffic Calming, and MPAH;
- 2017 Guidance Update;
- Types of Traffic Calming Measures:
- Speed Control Measures/Volume Control Measures (Examples);
- Proposed Policy; and
- Next Steps.

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#### 8. (Continued)

A discussion ensued regarding:

Proposed Policy - Speed Control Measures (Vertical/Horizontal) for Six/Eight Lanes – Divided;

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- Attachment B to the Staff Report (Redlined Proposed Revisions to the Guidance for the Administration of the MPAH); and
- Request to Staff to Re-examine Slide 8 of the PowerPoint and Split the Conditional (New Policy) to the Secondary and Primary Proposed Lanes, rather than the Major and Principal Lanes.

Mr. Johnson, CEO, reported that staff will re-examine the options, go back to the Technical Advisory Committee, and after discussions, return to the Regional Planning and Highways Committee with an update.

The Committee agreed to the CEO's suggestion, and no action was taken on this item.

#### 9. Comprehensive Transportation Funding Programs - 2017 Call for Projects **Programming Recommendations**

Sam Kaur, Section Manager, Local Programs, provided opening remarks and noted to the Committee that a copy of a letter, received from the Neighbors for Ortega Highway Chokepoint Improvement in San Juan Capistrano, was placed at the dais for their information.

Ms. Kaur provided a PowerPoint presentation as follows:

- Comprehensive Transportation Funding Programs Overview;
- 2017 Call for Projects;
- 2017 Programming Recommendations;
- 2017 Call Timeline and Milestones: and
- Staff Recommendations.

### A discussion ensued regarding:

- The history of the Ortega Highway widening improvements project and the City of San Juan's request for an additional \$2 million for the project;
- City of San Juan Capistrano was the former applicant for this project and now the County of Orange is the applicant and the project is currently going through the environmental phase;
- There is a current agreement with the California Department of Transportation and the City of San Juan Capistrano where the City agrees to allow the project to proceed; and

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#### 9. (Continued)

How long the environmental approval for the Newport Beach project will take and what fiscal year the funding will come from for the next cycle of the project.

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A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Delgleize, and declared passed by those present, to:

- Α. Approve the 2017 Regional Capacity Program to fund 13 projects, in an amount totaling \$32.24 million.
- B. Approve the 2017 Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program to fund five projects, in an amount totaling \$2.5 million.

### **Discussion Calendar**

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

Darrell Johnson, CEO, reported that:

- Last Thursday, a package was released by the Leadership of the Assembly, the Senate, as well as the Governor, which represents a compromise between Assembly Bill 81 and Senate Bill 1. The number is approximately \$5.2 billion, with 65 percent going to state highways and local streets and roads; approximately 20 percent going to transit; and the remainder going to trade corridors and active transportation.
  - Mr. Johnson, CEO, also reported that the Governor has stated that a vote on the bill will be received on/or before April 6th, and the Committee will be posted on updates.
- The Orange County Transportation Authority will be hosting its second Harbor Boulevard Corridor Study Open House on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the Gordon Hoyt Conference at the Anaheim City Hall.
- The Angels Express pre-game kickoff rally will take place on Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at the Irvine Metrolink Station at 4:30 p.m.
- On Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, OCTA will hold its first spring Ferber Ranch open space wilderness hike in Trabuco Canyon. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the hike starts at 10:00 a.m.

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# 11. Committee Members' Reports

Committee Chair Donchak reported that she represented OCTA at the California Association of Councils of Governments Regional Issues Forum in Monterey last week. The meeting headline was on "fix-it-first", with interesting information on the nexus between housing and transportation.

### 12. Closed Session

A Closed Session was not conducted at this meeting.

# 13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on May 1, 2017,** at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

| ATTEST                          |   |
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|                                 | Olga Prado Assistant Clerk of the Board |
| Lori Donchak<br>Committee Chair |   |

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