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Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting

Committee Members Present

Lori Donchak, Chair
Shawn Nelson, Vice Chairman
Andrew Do
Barbara Delgleize
Mark A. Murphy
Michelle Steel

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

Committee Members Absent

Todd Spitzer

Call to Order

The July 6, 2017 regular meeting of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Donchak at 10:34 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director M. Murphy 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 5)

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director M. Murphy, and declared passed by those present, to approve the minutes of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting of June 5, 2017.



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3. Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the Interstate 5 High-Occupancy Vehicle Improvement Project from State Route 55 to State Route 57

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director M. Murphy, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-7-1817 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and California Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$30,849,000, comprised of a construction capital share of \$26,049,000, and a construction management services share of \$4,800,000, for the Interstate 5 high-occupancy vehicle improvement project between State Route 55 and State Route 57.

4. Capital Programming Update

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

- A. Consistent with current Capital Action Plan cost estimates, authorize the use of \$15.479 million in Measure M2 for Interstate 5 widening from State Route 73 to Oso Parkway.
- B. Authorize the following adjustments to replace \$14.374 million in Federal Transit Administration Section 5307, and to fund an increase in the project cost by \$4.133 million for the San Juan Creek Bridge Replacement Project.
 - Increase of \$12.645 million in Proposition 1B Trade Corridor Improvement Fund project cost savings (contingent on actual savings accrued from the OC Bridges projects),
 - Increase of \$3.364 million in Federal Transit Administration Section 5337 State of Good Repair funds,
 - Increase of \$2.376 million in Proposition 116 funds, and
 - Increase of \$0.122 million in Measure M2 funds.
- C. Authorize the use of up to \$7.363 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funds for the Anaheim Canyon Station Project.
- D. Replace \$2 million in Federal Transit Administration Section 5337 with Measure M2 to support right-of-way activities for the Anaheim Canyon Station Project.



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- E. Authorize the use of up to \$6 million in Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funds for Metrolink preventive maintenance capitalized operations.
- F. 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.

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

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

- A. Conditionally approve one delay request for the City of Irvine's Peters Canyon Off-Street Bikeway Lighting Improvements Project, contingent on the Orange County Board of Supervisors approval of the right-of-way agreement.
- B. 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.

Regular Calendar

6. **OC Active: Project Update**

Paul Martin, Active Transportation Coordinator, Planning, provided a project update on the preparation of the Orange County Transportation Authority's (OCTA) first countywide Active Transportation Plan, branded as OC Active.

Mr. Martin reported that the plan will cover both bicycle and pedestrian improvements, consolidate the regional bikeways into one master document, evaluate and identify the best areas to improve pedestrian travel (including wheelchairs and other mobility devices along sidewalk and street edge), and will ensure coordinated efforts between local jurisdictions. Staff plans to continue to work with local agencies on the technical analysis and community engagement to better identify high-need areas, and will provide an update to the Board of Directors (Board) in July, and return to the Board with preliminary results in early 2018.



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Committee Vice Chairman Nelson requested that staff provide a map showing the combined outcome of recent sub-area regional bike corridors in Orange County.

A discussion ensued regarding safety measures due to collisions between bicycles and/or pedestrians and vehicles.

Committee Chair Donchak requested the following:

- Ensure that safety is moved up to the top of the list of priorities.
- How safety improvements are measured.
- Staff works with the various colleges and universities when performing outreach.

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Nelson, seconded by Director Delgleize, and declared passed by those present, to receive and file as an information item.

7. **Overview of SB 1 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017) - The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017**

Darrell Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), provided opening remarks and introduced Adriann Cardoso, Capital Programming Manager, Planning, as well as Ryan Chamberlain, California Department of Transportation Director, District 12, and OCTA Ex-Officio Board Member.

Mr. Johnson reported that the implementation of SB 1 is moving rather quickly and a number of activities are underway for city funds, funds that OCTA may receive on a formula basis for transit, and competitive funds.

Ms. Cardoso provided a PowerPoint presentation as follows:

- Overview;
- SB 1 Ten-Year Revenue Timeframe;
- Sources of Revenues Ten-Year Estimate (\$ millions);
- Uses – Ten-Year Estimate (\$ millions);
- Competitive Programs;
- Formula Programs;
- Highway User Tax Account and SB 1 Revenues;



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- 2017 State Funding Need;
- 2017 State Funding Need – Potential Projects:
 - State Highway,
 - Transit,
 - Goods Movement,
 - Local Highways/Rail-Grade Separations,
 - Active Transportation), and:
- Next Steps.

Committee Vice Chairman Nelson inquired about Slide 7 of the PowerPoint and the difference between “intercity rail” and “commuter rail” as it relates to funding received by OCTA.

Darrell Johnson, CEO, responded that the definition of intercity rail and commuter rail is that the funds flow through the federal definitions.

A short discussion ensued regarding:

- Definition of commuter rail in California.
- Definition of intercity rail.
- Opportunities within the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor in Orange County to share costs between the intercity and the commuter rail program.

Committee Chair Donchak inquired about Slide 8 of the PowerPoint and the Highway User Tax Account (HUTA) dollar split between the cities and the county, and asked how the split was decided.

Ms. Cardoso responded that the amounts were based on the existing formula for HUTA through statute.

Kia Mortazavi, Executive Director, Planning, explained the way the formula works. Mr. Mortazavi also added that, compared to the rest of the counties in the State, Orange County has a higher proportion of registered vehicles.



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A short discussion ensued regarding:

- Limitations on how the county funding can be used.
- Staff is working with its partners at the Self-Help Counties Coalition and the Southern California Association of Governments to weigh in on the guidelines proposed by the California Transportation Commission.
- Staff has communicated with the Technical Advisory Committee and plans to invite Planning and Finance Directors from local agencies to a workshop at OCTA in the August/September timeframe.
- OCTA staff is available as a resource to the cities and county for any questions.

After the discussion, no action was taken on this receive and file information item.

Discussion Items

8. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell Johnson, CEO, reported that:

- The Orange County Fair starts July 15, and OCTA will be hosting an event to kick-off the OC Fair Express bus service at the Fullerton Park and Ride at 9:30 a.m., on Saturday, July 15. This year, the OC Fair Express Bus will depart from nine locations throughout Orange County and will run on Saturdays and Sundays from July 15 to August 13. Riders are encouraged to use the OC Bus Mobile App to purchase passes,

In addition, Mr. Johnson reported that OCTA teamed up with the OC Fair and the cost of the OC Fair Express will be \$2.00 each way or 75 cents for seniors or persons with disabilities. Riders using these services will be offered a coupon for \$3.00 OC Fair admission.

9. Committee Members' Reports

Committee Chair Donchak reported that a mobility study is underway in South Orange County to look at a variety of options to move vehicles more efficiently. She asked for an update on the project extending the Interstate 5 carpool lane from Avenida Pico to the San Diego County border. In addition, Committee Chair Donchak requested an update on the project description that extends the Interstate 5 high-occupancy vehicle lanes from Avenida Pico to the San Diego County Line



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Darrell Johnson, CEO, responded that staff will agendaize her request and present an item to the Committee during the month of August.

10. Closed Session

A Closed Session was not conducted at this meeting.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on Monday, August 7, 2017**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

ATTEST

Olga Prado
Assistant Clerk of the Board

Lori Donchak
Committee Chair