# Minutes of the Orange County Transportation Authority Orange County Transit District Orange County Local Transportation Authority Orange County Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies Board of Directors Meeting

#### Call to Order

The January 9, 2017 regular meeting of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and affiliated agencies was called to order by Chair Donchak at 9:00 a.m. at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room – Conference Room 07-08, Orange, California.

#### Roll Call

Following the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, the Clerk of the Board noted a quorum was present, with the following Directors in attendance:

Directors Present: Michael Hennessey, Chairman

Lisa A. Bartlett, Vice Chair

Laurie Davies Barbara Delgleize

Andrew Do Lori Donchak Steve Jones Mark A. Murphy Richard Murphy Shawn Nelson Miguel Pulido Tim Shaw Todd Spitzer Michelle Steel

Tom Tait

Gregory T. Winterbottom

Ryan Chamberlain, Governor's Ex-Officio Member

Director Absent: Al Murray

Also 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

Members of the Press and the General Public

# **Special Calendar**

# Orange County Transportation Authority Special Calendar Matters

# 1. Administration of the Oath of Office to New and Returning Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors

The Oath of office was administered by James Donich, General Counsel, to the new Board Members Laurie Davies, Barbara Delgleize, Mark A. Murphy, and Richard Murphy, and to returning Board Members Andrew Do, Lori Donchak, Miguel Pulido, Tim Shaw, and Todd Spitzer.

# 2. Election of Orange County Transportation Authority Board Chair

A motion was made by Director Pulido, seconded by Director Spitzer, to elect Michael Hennessey to be the 2017 Chairman of the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors (Board).

Director Nelson was not present to vote on this item.

# 3. Election of Orange County Transportation Authority Board Vice Chair

A motion was made by Director Pulido, seconded by Director Spitzer, to elect Lisa A. Bartlett to be the 2017 Vice Chair of the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors.

Director Nelson was not present to vote on this matter.

#### 4. 2016 Year In Review

Darrell Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), opened with comments and referenced the pamphlet that was provided to the Board of Directors regarding the "2016 A Progress Report on OCTA Accomplishments," as well as showed a video of the 2016 accomplishments.

Mr. Johnson, CEO, recognized and presented immediate past Chair Donchak a gift of appreciation for her leadership as the 2016 Chair of the Board. In addition, immediate past Chair Donchak provided comments and presented a gift of appreciation to Mr. Johnson for his leadership as CEO.

Newly-elected Chairman Hennessey welcomed the new Board Members and provided comments regarding immediate past Chair Donchak's leadership in 2016.

# **Consent Calendar (Items 5 through 7)**

Newly-elected Chairman Hennessey stated that all matters on the Consent Calendar are to be approved in one motion unless a Board Member or a member of the public requests separate action on a specific item.

# **Orange County Transportation Authority Consent Calendar Matters**

#### 5. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Nelson, seconded by Director Davies, and declared passed by those present, to approve the Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies regular meeting minutes of December 12, 2016.

Directors Davies, Delgleize, M. Murphy, and R. Murphy abstained on this item.

# 6. Active Transportation Program Cycle 3 Project Prioritization

A motion was made by Director Nelson, seconded by Director Davies, and declared passed by those present, to approve:

- A. Approve the additional points assigned to the Orange County Active Transportation Program Cycle 3, Regional Projects, consistent with the Orange County Transportation Authority-adopted Active Transportation Program project prioritization and submittal to the Southern California Association of Governments.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve and adopt any future technical changes, substitutions, and additions to the final recommended project list.
- C. Authorize staff to process all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program to facilitate the above actions.

Director Tait did not participate on this item.

#### 7. Consultant Selection for the Active Transportation Plan

A motion was made by Director Nelson, seconded by Director Davies, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Approve the selection of IBI Group as the firm to develop the Orange County Active Transportation Plan.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-6-1417, between the Orange County Transportation Authority and IBI Group, in the amount of \$350,000, for an 18-month term through July 31, 2018, to develop the Orange County Active Transportation Plan.

Director Spitzer did not participate on this item.

# Regular Calendar

# Orange County Transportation Authority Regular Calendar Matters

## 8. Regional Planning Update

Kurt Brotcke, Director of Strategic Planning, provided an update for the following:

- Proposed California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines;
- Air Quality Management District (AQMD) Draft Air Quality Management Plan; and
- OCTA Long-Range Transportation Plan Underway in Early 2017.

Director Nelson requested a letter be sent to AQMD regarding costs of the Advanced Clean Fuel Transit Program and potential impacts to Orange County bus service.

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

#### **Discussion Items**

#### 9. Orange County Transportation Authority Focus Group Results

Alice Rogan, Manager of Public Outreach, provided opening comments that last summer, OCTA conducted focus groups to identify transportation priorities to support upcoming planning studies including the Long-Range Transportation Plan and Transit Master Plan, as well as help to assess public perceptions of OCTA and awareness of its programs and services including Measure M2.

Ms. Rogan introduced Shakari Byerly, Partner for Evitarus, who gave a PowerPoint presentation that included the following:

- Research Methodology;
- Transportation Emerged as an Important Consideration for the Future:
- Top Transportation Funding priorities;
- Assessments of the Current System;
- Long-Term Planning Priorities;
- Participants' Most Important Considerations for Future Transportation Planning;
- Communication Preferences; and
- Conclusions.

A discussion ensued, and Director Nelson requested information about the demographics and commuter status of the 2016 focus groups participants.

#### 10. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

### 11. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Johnson, CEO, reported that:

- A milestone was reached for the State College Boulevard Grade Crossing Project, and traffic was reopened on Fender Avenue and State College Boulevard on the north side of the bridge. This project is one of seven grade crossing projects that OCTA is working on, and one of two that the City of Fullerton is leading. The project is continuing on schedule and will be completed later this year.
- He wished everyone a "Happy New Year," and on behalf of all OCTA staff, welcomed the new and returning Board Members.

#### 12. Directors' Reports

Director Chamberlain reported that last Wednesday, there was an incident on the Interstate 405 and several Caltrans staff are recovering from minor injuries. In addition, he stated that Caltrans highest priority is safety.

Newly-elected Vice Chair Bartlett reported that she is the County of Orange representative for the California State Association of Counties (CSAC), and she announced her appointments to the CSAC Executive Committee, as well as Co-Vice Chair for the CSAC's Housing, Land Use and Transportation Committee. Newly-elected Vice Chair Bartlett offered to carry forth messages to the CSAC from the County and OCTA.

Mr. Johnson, CEO, responded that OCTA would support newly-elected Vice Chair Bartlett in all efforts at CSAC with a coordinated message.

Director Davies congratulated newly-elected Chairman Hennessey and newly-elected Vice Chair Bartlett and she thanked everyone for the opportunity to represent the Fifth District, along with immediate past Chair Donchak, and also looks forward to working with the Board.

Director Delgleize stated that she is proud to be a Board Member and looks forward to working with the Board and staff.

Director M. Murphy thanked the Board and OCTA for its support and opportunity to serve on the Board in his home town in the City of Orange.

Newly-elected Chairman Hennessey thanked the OCTA Board for all its support, as well as thanked immediate past Chair Donchak.

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There were no scheduled Closed Session items.

# 14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board will be held at **9:00 a.m. on Monday, January 23, 2017**, at Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room – Conference Room 07-08, Orange, California.

ATTEST:	
	Laurena Weinert Clerk of the Board
Michael Hennessey OCTA Chairman	