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Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting

Committee Members Present

Mark A. Murphy, Chairman Barbara Delgleize, Vice Chair Lisa A. Bartlett Richard Murphy

Committee Members Absent

Doug Chaffee Joe Muller Miguel Pulido

Staff Present

Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Laurena Weinert, Clerk of the Board Cassie Trapesonian, Assistant General Counsel OCTA Staff and Members of the General Public

Call to Order

The July 1, 2019 regular meeting of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman M. Murphy at 10:34 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Bartlett 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 Director R. Murphy, seconded by Director Bartlett, and declared passed by those present, to approve the minutes of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting of June 3, 2019.

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3. Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with Southern California Regional Rail Authority for the Interstate 5 High-Occupancy Vehicle Improvement Project Between State Route 55 and State Route 57

A motion was made by Director R. Murphy, seconded by Director Bartlett, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. C-6-1574 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Southern California Regional Rail Authority, in the amount of \$40,425, for additional railroad flagging and inspection services. This will increase the maximum obligation of the cooperative agreement to a total contract value of \$89,925.
- B. Authorize the use of \$40,425 in OC Go funds for construction inspection, which will increase Cooperative Agreement No. C-6-1574 from \$49,500 to \$89,925, for the Interstate 5 high-occupancy vehicle improvement project between State Route 55 and State Route 57.

4. Measure M2 Eligibility Review Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2017-18 Expenditure Reports

A motion was made by Director R. Murphy, seconded by Director Bartlett, and declared passed by those present, to find all conditionally eligible local agencies (excluding the cities of Santa Ana and Stanton) eligible to receive net Measure M2 revenues for fiscal year 2018-19.

5. Grant Acceptance for the Safe Travels Education Program and the Freeway Bus Rapid Transit Concept Study

A motion was made by Director R. Murphy, seconded by Director Bartlett, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to accept the Active Transportation Program grant award and execute grant-related agreements and documents with the California Department of Transportation and the Southern California Association of Governments.
- B. Adopt Orange County Transportation Authority Resolution No. 2019-059 authorizing the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to accept the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant award and execute grant-related agreements and documents with the California Department of Transportation and the Southern California Association of Governments.

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5. (Continued)

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to amend the C. Federal Transportation Improvement Program and process all necessary amendments to facilitate the recommendation above.

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Regular Calendar

6. **Draft 2019 State Route 91 Implementation Plan**

Kurt Brotcke, Director of Strategic Planning, provided a PowerPoint presentation on this item as follows:

- State Route (SR) 91 Implementation Plan;
- Culmination of Efforts:
 - **Eight Projects Completed**
 - \$1.9 Billion Invested 0
 - 66.5 Lane Miles Added 0
 - 15 Percent Increase in Throughput
 - Benefits of Coordinated Efforts:
- Guiding Principles;
- Orange County Projects;
- Riverside County Projects;
- Bi-County Projects:
- SR-91 Corridor Operations Projects;
- SR-241/91 Express Lanes Connector; and
- Project Implementation.

A public comment was heard from Don Fuller, City of Corona resident, stated that he addressed these issues under public comments at the June 7, 2019 SR-91 Advisory Committee and the June 10, 2019 Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors meetings, as well as with the Riverside County Transportation Commission, City of Corona City Council, the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, the California Department of Transportation Authority (Caltrans), and numerous law enforcement agencies.

Mr. Fuller referenced the map handout provided to the Committee Members at the dais and commented on the SR-91 eastbound/westbound channelizers that divide the 91 Express Lanes from the general-purpose lanes, specifically the area where the toll plaza is, between Weir Canyon Road and the Orange and Riverside county lines.

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6. (Continued)

Mr. Fuller stated that there is a continued issue with vehicles cutting across from the general-purpose lanes into the 91 Express Lanes. He stated there have been numerous serious accidents, predominately in the afternoon, and provided examples of vehicle accidents due to cutting through the delineators.

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Mr. Fuller highlighted his expertise as an automotive expert witness and suggested an immovable K-rail barrier be placed from, at least, Weir Canyon Road to where the lanes merge to prevent cutting across the lanes, as well as provided other comments.

No action was taken on this receive and file information item.

Discussion Items

7. **Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, reported the following:

Angels Express:

- The Angels Express was in service three days last week.
- On Friday, nearly 1,900 boardings were recorded, which is the Orange County Transportation Authority's (OCTA) second highest number of boardings for the season; however, ridership is still trailing from last year.
- OCTA has launched its Kids Ride Free marketing campaign to promote the service which allows kids 18 and under to ride the Angels Express for free during July and August.

OC Fair Express:

- The Orange County Fair starts next Friday, July 12th.
- OCTA is hosting a kick-off event for the OC Fair Express at the Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center Station on Saturday, July 13th, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- The OC Fair Express will be in service from nine locations on Saturdays and Sundays from July 13th through August 11th.

Independence Day:

- The OCTA administrative office will be closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of the holiday.
- Wished everyone a safe and happy Independence Day.

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8. Committee Members' Reports

Committee Chairman M. Murphy wished everyone a happy holiday with family and friends. He added that if anyone had a chance to see a veteran they did not know, to go up and thank him or her for their service.

9. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on Monday, August 5, 2019,** at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

ATTEST	
	Olga Prado
Mark A. Murphy	Assistant Clerk of the Board
Committee Chairman	

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