



# **MINUTES**

## ***Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting***

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### **Committee Members Present**

Mark A. Murphy, Chairman  
Barbara Delgleize, Vice Chair  
Joe Muller  
Richard Murphy  
Miguel Pulido

### **Staff Present**

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

### **Committee Members Absent**

Lisa A. Bartlett  
Doug Chaffee

## **Call to Order**

The September 5, 2019 regular meeting of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman M. Murphy at 10:30 a.m.

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

Director Muller 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 8)**

### **2. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Director Muller, seconded by Director R. Murphy, and due to lack of four affirmative votes, declared not passed to approve the minutes of the Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting of August 5, 2019.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.

Director Muller abstained due to not being present at the August 5, 2019 Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting.



**3. Consultant Selection for On-Call Real Property Appraisals and Related Services**

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

- A. Approve the selection of Hendrickson Appraisal Company, Inc., Hennessey and Hennessey, LLC, Integra Realty Resources - Los Angeles, and R.P. Laurain & Associates, Inc., as the firms to provide on-call real property appraisals and related services in the aggregate amount of \$3,500,000.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-0995 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Hendrickson Appraisal Company, Inc., as the firm to provide on-call real property appraisals and related services for a five-year term.
- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1473 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Hennessey and Hennessey, LLC, as the firm to provide on-call real property appraisals and related services for a five-year term.
- D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1474 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Integra Realty Resources - Los Angeles as the firm to provide on-call real property appraisals and related services for a five-year term.
- E. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1475 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and R.P. Laurain & Associates, Inc., as the firm to provide on-call real property appraisals and related services for a five-year term.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.

**4. Regional Planning Update**

A motion was made Director Muller, seconded by Director R. Murphy, and declared passed by those present, to receive and file as an information item.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.



**5. 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program**

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

- A. Approve the 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program submittal to program \$203.645 million to seven projects, from fiscal year 2020-21 through fiscal year 2024-25.
- B. Authorize the use of up to \$40.512 million in Surface Transportation Block Grant funds, \$92.328 million in Measure M2 funds, and \$44.791 million in SB 1 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017) Local Partnership Program funds for the 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program projects.
- C. Authorize staff to make all necessary amendments to the State Transportation Improvement Program and the Federal Transportation Improvement Program, as well as execute any necessary agreements to facilitate the recommendations above.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.

**6. 2019 Project X - Tier 1 Call for Projects Programming Recommendations**

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

- A. Approve the 2019 Tier 1 Environmental Cleanup Program's programming recommendation to fund ten projects, in the amount of \$1,962,452.
- B. Approve the 2019 Tier 1 Environmental Cleanup Program's programming recommendation to fund one project in the City of Fullerton, in the amount of \$82,782, subject to receipt of a revised city council resolution.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.

**7. Grant Award for the Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program**

A motion was made Director Muller, seconded by Director R. Murphy, and declared passed by those present, to adopt Orange County Transportation Authority Resolution No. 2019-071 authorizing the Chief Executive Officer, or designee, to accept the State of California Office of Traffic Safety award, and to negotiate and execute grant-related agreements and documents with the California Office of Traffic Safety.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.



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### **8. Draft 2019 Orange County Congestion Management Program Report Release for Public Review**

A motion was made Director Muller, seconded by Director R. Murphy, and declared passed by those present, to direct staff to release the draft 2019 Orange County Congestion Management Program Report for public review and set November 25, 2019, as a public hearing date for adoption of the final 2019 Orange County Congestion Management Program.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.

### **Regular Calendar**

### **9. Consultant Selection for the Preparation of Plans, Specifications, and Estimates for the State Route 91 Improvement Project Between State Route 55 and Lakeview Avenue**

Jeannie Lee, Senior Project Manager, Highway Programs Department, provided background information on the consultant selection for the State Route (SR) 91 improvement project between SR-55 and Lakeview Avenue (Project) as follows:

- The Project is Segment 1 of Project I in the Measure M2 Freeway Program.
- The environmental phase of the Project is nearly complete, and the Project is ready to move into final design.
- The request for proposals was released on May 13, 2019, seven proposals were received, and after the evaluation committee's review, three firms were short-listed and interviewed.
- Based on the evaluation of the proposals, team qualifications, and information obtained during the interviews, staff recommends the selection of Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., to provide design services for this Project.

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Delgleize, seconded by Director R. Murphy, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Approve the selection of Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., as the firm to prepare the plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 91 improvement project between State Route 55 and Lakeview Avenue.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1160 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Parsons Transportation Group, Inc., to prepare the plans, specifications, and estimates for the State Route 91 improvement project between State Route 55 and Lakeview Avenue.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.



### **10. Interstate 405 Improvement Project Update**

Jeff Mills, Program Manager for the Interstate 405 (I-405) Improvement Project, and Chris Boucly, I-405 Project Outreach Manager, co-presented the PowerPoint for this item as follows:

- Project Location and Key Features;
- Background;
- Project Update;
- Construction Update:
  - Santa Ana River Bridge
  - Slater Avenue Bridge
  - Oceanview Channel
  - Magnolia Steet Bridge
  - McFadden Avenue Bridge
  - Goldenwest Street Bridge;
- Look Ahead for Bridge Construction;
- Bridge Construction Map;
- Project Challenges;
- Schedule Mitigations;
- Interactive Engagement; and
- Upcoming Community Outreach.

A discussion ensued as follows:

- The contractors were acknowledged for their hard work and how they manage to work on construction with the high-volume of daily traffic.
- Expressed appreciation to the Orange County Transportation Authority's (OCTA) public outreach team for meeting with the community near the McFadden Avenue bridge and briefing them on the project's progress.
- There will be two dual express lanes in both directions, for a total of four express lanes.
- There will be one general purpose lane as part of the project, and it is being paid with Measure M2 dollars.
- The Board of Directors (Board) adopted a high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) policy as part of the express lanes toll policy, which gives free travel and discounted travel to certain types of HOV lanes.
- OCTA is in possession of 93 percent of the total properties needed. The other 7 percent are on schedule, almost all the properties are public properties which are easier to acquire, and the properties will be needed approximately a year from now to be compliant with the contract.



**10. (Continued)**

- The difference between the new App and using Waze was highlighted. Additionally, the audio alerts are provided in English, Vietnamese, and Spanish.
- The Board reviewed the project features for approximately a two-year period of time, and this combination of project features provides approximately 32 percent increase in overall capacity.
- Compliments were provided to the various OCTA contractors when bridges are demolished overnight.
- This project is the single largest construction project in the State of California, the single largest OCTA project, and the single largest design-build highway project in the United States.
- The California Department of Transportation team was complimented for assisting OCTA on multiple fronts.

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

**Discussion Items**

**11. Beach Boulevard Corridor Study**

Dan Phu, Program Manager, Planning Division, provided a PowerPoint presentation for this item as follows:

- Project Overview;
- Corridor Overview;
- Study Approach;
- Purpose and Need;
- Toolbox Development;
- Draft Concepts by Mode:
  - Pedestrian
  - Bicycle
  - Vehicular
  - Transit; and
- Next Steps.



**11. (Continued)**

A discussion ensued as follows:

- The Beach Boulevard Coalition (Coalition) is a separate effort, and OCTA staff is working closely with the Coalition.
- The nine corridor cities in Orange County are involved with this study, and staff has held regular meetings with at least one representative from each corridor city in attendance.
- The corridor cities have provided valuable input on the existing conditions, future planning efforts, various technical aspects of the study, as well as on the public outreach efforts.
- One of the wildcards is the emergent technologies with the transportation network companies and it is something that the project team, working in conjunction with the various corridor cities, has acknowledged and has discussed with respect to the various challenges that each corridor city faces.

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

**12. Update on State Route 55 Improvement Project from Interstate 5 to State Route 91**

Jeannie Lee from Highway Programs and Calina North, Principal Community Relations Specialist, External Affairs, provided a PowerPoint presentation for this item as follows:

- About the Project;
- Project Limits;
- SR-55 Between Interstate 5 and SR-22;
- SR-55 Between Fourth Street and 17<sup>th</sup> Street;
- SR-55 Between 17<sup>th</sup> Street and SR-22;
- Traffic Benefits;
- SR-55 Fourth Street Off-Ramp Widenings;
- SR-55 Katella Avenue Ramp Widening;
- SR-55 Between SR-91 and South of Lincoln Avenue;
- Public Outreach and Noticing; and
- Environmental Phase Schedule.

No action was taken on this information item.



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

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, reported the following:

#### **Bike Skills Class –**

- On Saturday, September 7th, OCTA will host a bike skills class in San Clemente.
- The class will start at 9:00 a.m. at the Vista Hermosa Sports Park in San Clemente.
- Funding for this campaign comes from the grant received from the California Office of Traffic Safety.

#### **Fullerton College Event –**

- On Thursday, September 12th, OCTA will host an event at Fullerton College at 11:30 a.m. to celebrate the launch of the student bus pass program there.

#### **OCTA Rodeo –**

- On Saturday, September 28th, OCTA will host its annual Rodeo at the Santa Ana Base at 7:30 a.m.
- Committee Members were encouraged to test their skills and drive a bus on the Rodeo course.
- Practice dates are currently scheduled for Wednesday, September 18th, and Thursday, September 19th.
- Director Hernandez has signed up to drive the Rodeo course.

#### **Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) Award –**

- Paul Martin, OCTA's Active Transportation Coordinator, has been named the 2019 Public Sector Professional of the Year by the APBP.
- Mr. Martin was congratulated for this honor and for his ongoing work at OCTA with the active transportation community.

### **14. Committee Members' Reports**

There were no Committee Members' reports.

### **15. Closed Session**

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.





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### **16. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on Monday, October 7, 2019**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

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Mark A. Murphy  
Committee Chairman

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Olga Prado  
Assistant Clerk of the Board