

# MINUTES Transit Committee Meeting

#### **Committee Members Present**

Andrew Do, Chairman Laurie Davies Steve Jones Miguel Pulido Tim Shaw Harry S. Sidhu

#### **Staff Present**

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Laurena Weinert, Clerk of the Board Sara Meisenheimer, Deputy Clerk of the Board James Donich, General Counsel OCTA Staff and members of the General Public

### **Committee Members Absent**

Gregory T. Winterbottom, Vice Chairman

### Call to Order

The February 13, 2020 regular meeting of the Transit Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman Do at 9:01 a.m.

# Pledge of Allegiance

Director Davies led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 1. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

# **Special Calendar**

# 2. Committee Meeting 2020 Schedule

Ken Phipps, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (DCEO), reported that the proposed 2020 Transit Committee meeting schedule would meet on the second Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Director Davies, seconded by Director Sidhu, and declared passed by those present, to approve the 2020 Transit Committee meeting dates and time schedule.

Director Pulido was not present to vote on this item.

# 3. Roles and Responsibilities of the Transit Committee

Ken Phipps, DCEO, highlighted the proposed changes as noted in Attachment A of the agenda packet for this item.

A motion was made by Director Davies, seconded by Director Sidhu, and declared passed by those present, to approve the 2020 Transit Committee Roles and Responsibilities.



# **Consent Calendar (Items 4 through 6)**

### 4. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Davies, seconded by Director Pulido, and declared passed by those present, to approve the minutes of the Transit Committee meeting of January 9, 2020.

Director Sidhu abstained due to not being present at the January 9, 2020 Transit Committee meeting.

# 5. Agreement for Maintenance Shop Floor Restoration at the Garden Grove Bus Base

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

- A. Find Pacific Coast Contracting Services, Inc., the apparent low bidder, as non-responsive for failure to meet the federal requirement for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-9-1589 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Golden Gate Steel, Inc., doing business as Golden Gate Construction, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$420,000, for the maintenance shop floor restoration at the Garden Grove Bus Base.

### 6. Agreement for the Purchase of Transit Police Services Vehicles

A motion was made by Director Davies, seconded by Director Pulido, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Blanket Purchase Order No. C-9-1732 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and FFBH Motors, LLC, doing business as Frontier Ford, in the amount of \$274,280, for the purchase of six Police Responder Full-Size Crew Cab Pick-Up Trucks and one Full-Size Police Interceptor Utility Hybrid Sports Utility Vehicle.

# Regular Calendar

# 7. Amendment to Agreement for Project Management Consultant Services for the OC Streetcar Project

Jim Biel, Executive Director of Capital Programs, reported on the following:

- Overview of the amendment to the agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. (HDR) and reasons for exercising the first two-year option term.
- HDR key tasks, examples on executing those tasks, and the complexity of the OC Streetcar project (Project).
- HDR produces a reoccurring risk management analysis as required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and helps to coordinate with FTA's project management oversite consultant.
- Highlighted were the procurement approach, the Project revenue service date being delayed, and the recommendation in the staff report.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the following:

- Transit Committee Chairman Do supports this item and stated the delays in the FTA's approval of the Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) put a hold on the construction and questioned if some of the work should have been done as a part of the original contract.
- This is a program management consultant contract that included more FTA involvement while waiting for the FFGA to be approved.
- Concerns that California Assembly Bill 5 would have potential impacts to the trucking industry, but they are exempt.
- Concerns about the 30 percent increase and that the scope of work was not written accurately to capture the correct budgetary numbers.
- The overall scope of the project, including the percentage of professional services is in line with the percentage of capital costs of the Project.
- Anticipation that staff will need to exercise the second two-year option based on the timeframe.
- Keep the costs in mind and to specify any future options that staff may need justification for.



## 7. (Continued)

A motion was made by Director Pulido, seconded by Director Jones, and declared passed by those present, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 12 to Agreement No. C-4-1854 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and HDR Engineering, Inc., to exercise the first two-year option term for project management consultant services for the OC Streetcar project, in the amount of \$8,064,286, and extend the term of the agreement through March 31, 2022. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$29,026,291.

### 8. OC Streetcar Business Association Support Agreements

Ken Phipps, DCEO, provided opening comments and introduced Christina Byrne, Department Manager of Public Outreach, who reported on the following:

- Referenced Attachment A of the staff report, described the two-hours free parking policy that the Santa Ana City Council recently adopted, and how the Orange County Transportation Authority's (OCTA) has partnered with the City of Santa Ana (Santa Ana).
- Highlighted the recommendations in the staff report.
- The OCTA agreement cannot be used to supplement or offset administrative costs, all funds must be spent on direct costs to support marketing events.

### A discussion ensued regarding:

- Transit Committee Chairman Do thanked staff for listening to the committee's feedback and stated it is necessary to help the small businesses in downtown Santa Ana. He also encouraged Santa Ana to put up signage about the two-hour free parking.
- Transit Committee Chairman Do requested review of the OC Streetcar logo and a more proactive approach on social media with the progress of OC Streetcar.
- The overall support is a small amount of money to soften the business impacts during construction.
- Additional signs will be delivered within the next week and the public will be notified about the free two-hour parking. The signs will be placed on the building structures and on the streets in Santa Ana.
- Director Jones supports this item and commented that the small businesses in downtown Santa Ana are what make the area so unique.



### 8. (Continued)

- Director Sidhu provided comments about businesses that suffer during construction, the importance in taking care of customers, and gave an example of Walt Disney Imagineers who come up with creative concepts for signage.
- Director Pulido asked staff to come back with suggestions pertaining to Director Sidhu's suggestions for signage.

A motion was made by Director Pulido, seconded by Director Jones, and declared passed by those present, to:

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into agreement C-0-2051 with Downtown Inc., in the amount of \$100,000 per year, for a term of two years, for a total of \$200,000, beginning April 1, 2020, and ending on March 31, 2022, to provide funding to support events and expand marketing efforts in downtown Santa Ana.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to enter into agreement C-0-2052 with the Santa Ana Business Council, in the amount of \$100,000 per year, for a term of two years, for a total of \$200,000, beginning April 1, 2020, and ending on March 31, 2022, to provide funding to support events and expand marketing efforts in downtown Santa Ana.
- C. Authorize the use of \$400,000 in Measure M2 Project S funds to support the above recommendations.
- D. 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.

# 9. Zero-Emission Bus Rollout Plan Update

Ken Phipps, DCEO, provided opening comments and introduced Gary Hewitt, Manager of Transit Planning, who provided a PowerPoint presentation for this item as follows:

- Innovative Clean Transit Regulation;
- OCTA Zero-Emission Bus (ZEB) Pilots;
- Existing OCTA Fleet;
- What is a ZEB Rollout Plan?;
- Elements of ZEB Deployment;
- Consultant Assistance;
- Vehicle Fueling Technology Comparison; and
- Next Steps.

### 9. (Continued)

A discussion ensued regarding the following:

- The rollout plan would include: the vehicle technology, which ZEB would work best for OCTA, and the costs and impacts to the operation.
- The zero emissions rule will be phased in over time (subject to requirement by certain years).
- Director Davies requested to find out the cost of electric buses, and how it would compare to what OCTA is currently using.
- Key considerations are dependent on the electricity rates and OCTA is trying to obtain a preferred rate with the utilities company.
- All bus procurements starting in 2029 must be zero-emission; however, existing buses in OCTA's fleet that still have life beyond 2029 can still be running. Gasoline buses will be subject to the rule earlier (they are replaced every seven years).
- Director Sidhu requested that staff bring back the maintenance costs, including the cost difference between a hydrogen fuel cell verses a gasoline bus.
- There is not a lot of information on the maintenance costs right now.
- OCTA is purchasing a small amount of ZEBs in order to test and gain experience before making a decision on which ZEB fits OCTA's needs.
- Clarification of the ZEB purchase requirements was provided and referenced on Slides 2 and 4 of the PowerPoint presentation.

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

### **Discussion Items**

### 10. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Ken Phipps, DCEO, reported on the following:

- On Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, OCTA will be hosting a wilderness hike at the Wren's View Preserve in Trabuco Canyon which will give the public an opportunity to explore the open space property.
- OCTA assisted in the evacuation of a five-alarm fire at an apartment complex in Tustin yesterday morning. One bus was used to transport 14 residents and one dog to the Tustin Senior Center.

## 11. Committee Members' Reports

There were no Committee Members' Reports.



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### 12. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.

### 13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 12, 2020**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

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| Andrew Do Committee Chairman | Sahara Meisenheimer<br>Deputy Clerk of the Board |