



MINUTES

Regional Planning and Highways Committee Meeting

Committee Members Present

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

Committee Members Absent

Lisa A. Bartlett
Doug Chaffee
Joe Muller
Miguel Pulido

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
Cassie Trapesonian, Assistant General Counsel
OCTA Staff and members of the General Public

Call to Order

The March 2, 2020 regular meeting of the Regional Planning and Highways (RP&H) Committee was called to order by Committee Chairman M. Murphy at 10:33 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Committee Vice Chair Delgleize 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 7)

2. Approval of Minutes

Due to lack of quorum and consensus of the Committee Members present, this item was continued to the April 6, 2020 Regional Planning and Highways Committee meeting.

3. Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with the City of Fountain Valley for the Interstate 405 Improvement Project

Due to lack of quorum and consensus of the Committee Members present, this item was forwarded to the March 9, 2020 Board of Directors meeting without the Committee's recommendation.



4. Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with the City of Westminster for the Interstate 405 Improvement Project

Due to lack of quorum and consensus of the Committee Members present, this item was forwarded to the March 9, 2020 Board of Directors meeting without the Committee's recommendation.

5. Cooperative Agreement with the Orange County Flood Control District for the State Route 55 Improvement Project Between Interstate 405 and Interstate 5

Due to lack of quorum and consensus of the Committee Members present, this item was forwarded to the March 9, 2020 Board of Directors meeting without the Committee's recommendation.

6. Measure M2 Environmental Cleanup Program - Project X Tier 1 Grant Program Call for Projects

Due to lack of quorum and consensus of the Committee Members present, this item was forwarded to the March 9, 2020 Board of Directors meeting without the Committee's recommendation.

7. Grant Award Acceptance for Development of the Disaster Mitigation Plan

Due to lack of quorum and consensus of the Committee Members present, this item was forwarded to the March 9, 2020 Board of Directors meeting without the Committee's recommendation.

Regular Calendar

8. Supplemental Contract Change Order for the Interstate 405 Improvement Project from State Route 73 to Interstate 605 - Collection and Disposal of Unknown Hazardous Materials

Jeff Mills, Senior Program Manager, reported on the background, recommendation, and reasons for the supplemental contract change order.

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Discussion Items

9. Update on Interstate 5/EI Toro Road Interchange Project

Rose Casey, Director of Highways Program, provided a PowerPoint presentation for this item as follows:

- Project Area;
- Project Background/Timeline;
- Alternative 2: Flyover;
- Alternative 4: Collector Distributer Road and Hook Ramps;
- Alternative 4 and Option B: Collector Distributer Road and Hook Ramps;
- Cost Benefit Comparison;
- Recent Activities;
- Focused Coordination with Cities; and
- Next Steps.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding:

- Referenced Slide 5 of the PowerPoint and noted that where EI Toro Road ends it is at grade.
- The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) provided traffic data to the cities of Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Laguna Hills, and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), and the split in traffic was highlighted.
- There was not a consensus between the three cities on the preferred alternative. The Measure M2 ordinance requires consensus.
- The impacts of the Laguna Hills mall include the construction cost of \$64 million and the estimated right-of-way of \$141 million.
- OCTA will not approve a project that does not have a consensus. The cities need to consider future activities along the interchange, so they are not rebuilding at a future time.
- A suggestion was offered to add a no-build option and what the ramifications are.
- New concepts were discussed between Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Director Chamberlain, and three city managers, and OCTA is willing to take another review.
- Director Delgleize commented that an improvement is needed.
- As a part of the public review process, there were thousands of public comments received on every alternative, and the consultant would provide a neutral perspective to review at past and new alternatives.

No action was taken on this information item.



Discussion Items

10. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell E. Johnson, CEO, reported on the following:

Careers in Transportation Expo -

- On Tuesday, March 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., OCTA will host the fifth annual Careers in Transportation Expo.
- This event is designed for Orange County high-school and college students to learn more about career paths in the transportation industry.
- The students can participate in mock interviews and have their resumes reviewed by OCTA's human resources staff.
- OCTA has received more than 300 responses to attend.

American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Awards -

- OCTA was recently awarded with three First Place AdWheel Awards.
- APTA's annual AdWheel awards recognize the marketing and communications efforts in the public transportation industry.
- OCTA won awards for Making Safety a Core Corporate Value video, the Metrolink Daycations Digital Outreach, and the OC Flex Microtransit Pilot Program.
- Mr. Johnson, CEO, thanked staff who worked on the awards.

11. Committee Members' Reports

Committee Vice Chair Delgleize inquired on how someone can attend the Careers in Transportation Expo, and Mr. Johnson, CEO, asked her to contact him with the information.

Director R. Murphy inquired about the start time of next month's meeting, and Darrell E. Johnson, CEO, clarified that the RP&H Committee meeting starts at 10:30 a.m. on the first Monday of the month.

12. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.



13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **10:30 a.m. on Monday, April 6, 2020**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Board Room - Conference Room 07, Orange, California.

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Mark Murphy
Committee Chairman

Laurena Weinert
Clerk of the Board