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To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: 2019 Chief Executive Officer's Initiatives and Action Plan – Second Quarter Progress Report

On February 11, 2019, the Board of Directors (Board) approved the 2019 Chief Executive Officer's (CEO's) Initiatives and Action Plan (Action Plan), which support the 2019 Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board Strategic Initiatives (Attachment A). The Action Plan (Attachment B) consists of ten initiatives implemented through 73 projects/programs and monitored through 88 milestones. This report provides a summary of progress on second quarter (Q2) milestones from April 1, 2019 until June 30, 2019.

In Q2, 22 milestones were scheduled for completion, of which seven align with the Board Initiatives. At the end of Q2, 19 of 22 milestones had been completed, including six of the Board Initiatives. Q2 highlights include adoption of the fiscal year (FY) 2019-20 budget, commencement of construction on the Interstate 5 (I-5) between Oso Parkway and Alicia Parkway, and final receipt of nine hydrogen fuel-cell electric buses. Information on all Q2 milestones is provided in Attachment B. Reasons for the delays on the three milestones can be attributed to dependency on coordination with outside agencies or a need for internal schedule adjustments.

Listed below are the key Q2 2019 CEO Action Plan accomplishments. The complete list of accomplishments is provided in Attachment B.

- I-5, State Route 73 (SR-73) to El Toro Road: On April 5, 2019, a construction contract for a portion of the I-5, SR-73 to El Toro Road project was approved by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). On May 29, 2019, construction began along the Oso Parkway to Alicia Parkway segment (Segment 2). This project includes the addition of one general-purpose lane in each direction and structural and operational improvements to increase capacity, enhance operations, and relieve congestion.

- I-5, Interstate 405 (I-405) to State Route 55 (SR-55): On May 13, 2019, the final administrative draft environmental document for the I-5, I-405 to SR-55 project was submitted to Caltrans for approval. This project will add one general-purpose lane in either direction and improve interchanges in the area between SR-55 and SR-133.
- Hydrogen Fuel-Cell Electric Buses: In June 2019, OCTA received a total of nine hydrogen fuel-cell electric buses. These buses will allow OCTA to test new technology in daily operation to help with future decisions in meeting the California Air Resources Board zero emission requirements.
- FY 2019-20 Budget Adoption: On June 10, 2019, the Board approved the FY 2019-20 OCTA Budget. This balanced budget reflects the Board and CEO Initiatives.
- Bicycle Corridor Improvement Program (BCIP): On June 10, 2019, the Board approved 17 bicycle facility projects recommended for funding in FY 2019-20 through FY 2023-24 from the 2019 BCIP call for projects. This grant program provides funding to local Orange County agencies for bicycle projects and related enhancements that reduce congestion and improve air quality.
- Regional Capacity Program (RCP) and Regional Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (RTSSP) Funds for Projects: On June 10, 2019, the Board approved RCP (Project O) and RTSSP (Project P) programming recommendations, including funding for six projects, totaling \$8.530 million in Measure M2 funds. These programs make funding available for improvements to arterials and signal systems.

I am pleased with the progress that the agency has made this quarter and look forward to completing the balance of the 2019 CEO's Action Plan this coming year. Please contact me at (714) 560-5343 with any questions or suggestions.

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Attachments