



Committee Members Present
Via Teleconference

Tim Shaw, Chairman
Harry S. Sidhu, Vice Chairman
Doug Chaffee
Andrew Do
Steve Jones
Vicente Sarmiento

Staff Present

Jennifer L. Bergener, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Sahara Meisenheimer, Deputy Clerk of the Board
Allison Cheshire, Interim Deputy Clerk of the Board

Committee Members Absent

None

Via Teleconference

Cassie Trapesonian, Assistant General Counsel

Call to Order

The April 8, 2021 regular meeting of the Transit Committee (Committee) was called to order by Committee Chair Shaw at 9:01 a.m.

Roll Call

The Deputy Clerk of the Board conducted an attendance roll call and announced there was a quorum of the Committee.

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Do 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 Committee Vice Chairman Sidhu, seconded by Director Do, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 6-0, to approve the minutes of the Transit Committee meeting of March 11, 2021.

3. Amendment to Agreement for Coach Operator, Operations Instructor, and Field Supervisor Uniforms

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Sidhu, seconded by Director Do, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 6-0, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. C-6-1442 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Becnel Uniforms, in the amount of \$50,000, to exercise the second option term of the agreement from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, for continued uniform supply services. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$871,852.

4. Sole Source Agreement for Transmission Dynamometer Upgrade

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Sidhu, seconded by Director Do, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 6-0, to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute sole source Purchase Order No. A46961 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Power Test, Inc., in the amount of \$68,540, for the upgrade of the current transmission dynamometer control panel.

5. Bus Restructuring Study Consultant Selection

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Sidhu, seconded by Director Do, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 6-0, to:

- A. Approve the selection of Transportation Management and Design, Inc., as the firm to assist in restructuring the OC Bus fixed-route bus system.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-0-2739 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Transportation Management and Design, Inc., in the amount of \$549,914, to assist in the development of recommendations for restructuring the OC Bus fixed-route bus system.

Regular Calendar

6. Agreement for Detail Bus Cleaning and Pesticide Application Services

Cliff Thorne, Director of Maintenance and Motorist Services, reported on the following:

- Transit buses routinely require detailed cleaning and pesticide application services to control pests.
- The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) pest management program consists of contracted services for licensed application of pesticides, placement of bait, and detailed bus cleaning.
- An overview of the agreement, the request for proposals, and the selection of Gamboa Services, Inc., doing business as Corporate Image Maintenance, as the firm to provide detail bus cleaning and pesticide application services.

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chairman Sidhu, seconded by Director Sarmiento, and following a roll call vote, declared passed by 6-0, to:

- A. Approve the selection of Gamboa Services, Inc., doing business as Corporate Image Maintenance, as the firm to provide detail bus cleaning and pesticide application services.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-0-2702 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Gamboa Services, Inc., doing business as Corporate Image Maintenance, in the amount of \$1,076,726, for detail bus cleaning and pesticide application services for a three-year initial term effective May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2024, with a two-year option term.

7. OC Streetcar Project Quarterly Update

Jim Beil, Executive Director of Capital Programs, Cleve Cleveland, Department Manager of OC Streetcar Operations, and Tresa Oliveri, Principal Community Relations Specialist, provided a PowerPoint presentation.

A discussion ensued regarding:

- Staff will be returning to the Board of Directors once the Federal Transit Administration and their project management oversight consultant assess the remaining project risks, schedules, and costs.
- OCTA currently forecasts the revenue service target date to July of 2023.

7. (Continued)

- OCTA's Program Manager of the OC Streetcar Project, Mary Shavaliar, has retired and Ross Lew, has taken her place.
- Challenges with Segment 4 and if anything has been anticipated.
- Tools have been developed as OCTA begins excavation, such as sloth trench and ground penetrating radar to run along the track bed.
- The goal is to reduce the amount of time for construction and any obstructions that will be placed during the traffic closures.
- Having some notice on the trenching schedule is helpful because the City of Santa Ana (Santa Ana) is also doing construction project on south Main Street.
- Status on how the businesses are doing in the downtown Santa Ana area, the Eat Shop Play program, and how Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, and an investment with two business associations has helped provide funding to businesses.
- The NOVA Academy is at the intersection of North Ross Street and Santa Ana Boulevard and 4th Street and currently, the work zone has been fenced off. There will be a platform at Sasser Park and as the OC Streetcar gets closer to operation, staff will continue to conduct outreach.

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

Discussion Items**8. OC Bus Service Update**

Johnny Dunning, Jr., Department Manager of Scheduling and Bus Operations Support, and Ryan Maloney, Section Manager of Marketing and Customer Service, provided a PowerPoint presentation.

A discussion ensued regarding:

- In March of 2021, OCTA received a request from the Orange County Emergency Operations center to provide vaccine transportation services to disadvantaged populations in Orange County. The service will commence on April 18, 2021.
- There were three bills pending the legislature last year before COVID-19 hit seeking to eliminate fares for certain populations and none of those moved forward. OCTA is following the state's guidelines and the stimulus money will be used to support the ongoing operations of the system.

8. (Continued)

- Incentives to bring back customers and how to make them feel safe about using public transportation.
- A “Welcome Back” campaign will be rolled out, reminding people that it is a safe and efficient operation. The program will offer reduced fares and special passes as restrictions are lifted.
- Director Do suggested to use this opportunity to partner up with other agencies and introduce OCTA’s service to a new population, introduce the ACCESS program to the vulnerable population, and offer free rides to get vaccinated.
- Jennifer L. Bergener, Deputy Chief Executive Officer (DCEO), stated that at the next Transit Committee meeting, staff will bring back a full overview of the marketing campaign and the efforts staff is taking to encourage people to safely return to the bus system.
- The Community College Bus program is still active and as classes resume in August, the program will be ready and capable to carry students.

9. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Jennifer L. Bergener, DCEO, reported on the following:

- The month of April is Earth Month and OCTA is looking forward to celebrating and promoting Earth Day on April 22, 2021. OCTA has a long history of promoting a culture of sustainability and delivering projects and programs that protect the air, land, water, and community. A new page on OCTA’s website was launched last week and it highlights ongoing sustainability initiatives at octa.net/green.

10. Committee Members' Reports

There were no Committee Members’ reports.

11. Closed Session

There were no Closed Session items scheduled.



12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2021**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, Conference Room 07, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.

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Tim Shaw
Committee Chairman

Sahara Meisenheimer
Deputy Clerk of the Board