

Call to Order

The May 27, 2025, regular meeting of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors and affiliated agencies was called to order by Chair Chaffee at 9:30 a.m. at the OCTA Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.

Directors Present: Doug Chaffee, Chair
Jamey M. Federico, Vice Chair
Katrina Foley
William Go
Patrick Harper
Michael Hennessey
Fred Jung
Stephanie Klopfenstein
Carlos A. Leon
Janet Nguyen
Tam T. Nguyen
Vicente Sarmiento
John Stephens
Kathy Tavoularis
Mark Tettermer
Donald P. Wagner
Lan Zhou, Ex-Officio

Directors Absent: Valerie Amezcua

Staff Present: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer
Jennifer L. Bergener, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Gina Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board
Andrea West, Clerk of the Board
Sahara Meisenheimer, Clerk of the Board Specialist
James Donich, General Counsel

1. Closed Session

A Closed Session was held as follows:

- A. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) - Conference with General Counsel - Existing Litigation - St. Andrew's by the Sea United Methodist Church v. State of California, et. Al., OCSC Case No. 30-2018-01018320.
- B. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) - Conference with General Counsel - Existing Litigation - Walsh Construction Company v. Orange County Transportation Authority, OCSC Case No. 30-2022-01248455.

All members were present except Director Amezcua, who was also absent from the meeting.

There was no report out on these matters.

Special Calendar

2. Update on Emergency Need for Railroad Track Stabilization in the Vicinity of Mile Post 203.83 to 204.40 and 206.10 to 206.70 on the Orange Subdivision

James G. Beil, Executive Director of Capital Programs, presented this item.

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to reaffirm Resolution No. 2025-025 to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to take all necessary actions to address the emergency need for railroad track stabilization in the vicinity of Mile Post 203.83 to 204.40 and 206.10 to 206.70 on the Orange Subdivision, and to return to the Board of Directors, as required, to report on the status thereof.

3. Presentation of Resolutions of Appreciation for Employees of the Month

Resolutions of Appreciation were presented to Gelacio Aguilar, Coach Operator, Jose Gutierrez, Maintenance, and Josue Vaglienty, Administration, as Employees of the Month for May 2025.

Consent Calendar (Items 4 through 16)

4. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2025 Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies' regular meeting.

5. Real Estate Administration, Internal Audit Report No. 25-506

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to direct staff to implement five recommendations provided in Real Estate Administration, Internal Audit Report No. 25-506.

6. Transportation Development Act, Triennial Performance Audits

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Receive and file the Triennial Performance Audit of the OCTA as the Regional Transportation Planning Entity, fiscal year 2021-22 to fiscal year 2023-24, as an information item.
- B. Receive and file the Triennial Performance Audit of the Orange County Transit District, fiscal year 2021-22 to fiscal year 2023-24, as an information item.
- C. Direct staff to monitor implementation of recommendations included in the Triennial Performance Audit of the City of Laguna Beach - Laguna Beach Municipal Transit Lines, fiscal year 2021-22 to fiscal year 2023-24.

7. Fiscal Year 2024-25 Third Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report

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

8. Orange County Transportation Authority Investment and Debt Programs Report - March 2025

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

9. Annual Update to Investment Policy

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Adopt the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Investment Policy July 1, 2025.
- B. Authorize the Treasurer, to invest, reinvest, purchase, exchange, sell, and manage Orange County Transportation Authority funds during fiscal year 2025-26.

10. State Legislative Status Report

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Adopt the proposed Principles for Cap-and-Trade Revenue Distribution Legislation and direct staff to take necessary and appropriate actions to inform and respond to legislative proposals.
- B. Adopt a SUPPORT position on AB 986 (Muratsuchi, D-Torrance), which would expand the definition of events qualifying for a state or local emergency to include landslides and preexisting climate conditions.

(Reflects a change from staff's recommendation)

Recommendation C was added at the Legislative & Communications Committee on May 15, 2025.

- C. Adopt an OPPOSE position on SB 741 (Blakespear, D-Encinitas), consistent with the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Orange County Transportation Authority State Legislative Platform.

Director J. Nguyen abstained from voting on this item.

11. Federal Legislative Status Report

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

12. Consultant Selection for On-Call Architectural and Engineering Design and Construction Support Services for Transit Facility Projects

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the selection of Stantec Architecture Inc., M. Arthur Gensler, Jr. & Associates, Inc., Anil Verma Associates, Inc., STV Incorporated, Dahl, Taylor & Associates, Inc., and IDS Group, Inc., in the aggregate amount of \$3,000,000, as the firms to provide on-call architectural and engineering design and construction support services for transit facility projects.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-4-2610 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Stantec Architecture Inc., to provide on-call architectural and engineering services for a three-year initial term, and one, two-year option term.

- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-5-4060 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and M. Arthur Gensler, Jr. & Associates, Inc., to provide on-call architectural and engineering services for a three-year initial term, and one, two-year option term.
- D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-5-4061 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Anil Verma Associates, Inc., to provide on-call architectural and engineering services for a three-year initial term, and one, two-year option term.
- E. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-5-4062 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and STV Incorporated, to provide on-call architectural and engineering services for a three-year initial term, and one, two-year option term.
- F. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-5-4063 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Dahl, Taylor & Associates, Inc., to provide on-call architectural and engineering services for a three-year initial term, and one, two-year option term.
- G. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-5-4064 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and IDS Group, Inc., to provide on-call architectural and engineering services for a three-year initial term, and one, two-year option term.

13. Amendment to Agreement for Marketing Print Services

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. C-2-2288 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and PGI-Pacific Graphics, Inc., to exercise the first option term, in the amount of \$230,000, to continue providing marketing print services, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$555,000.

14. Amendment to Agreement for Public Information Marketing Program Services

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. C-2-2313 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Klein and Klein, Inc., to exercise the first option term, in the amount of \$350,000, to continue providing public information marketing program services, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$731,000.

15. Amendment to Agreement for Bus Mural Application Services

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. C-2-2317 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and JG Images, Inc., to exercise the first option term, in the amount of \$260,000, to continue providing bus mural application services, effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$610,000.

16. Amendment to Agreement for On-Call Commercial Real Estate Brokerage Services

A motion was made by Director Sarmiento, seconded by Director Foley, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. C-0-2160 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and CBRE, Inc., in the amount of \$268,000, for additional on-call commercial real estate brokerageleasing services and extend the term of the agreement for an additional six months through March 31, 2026. This will increase the maximum cumulative obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$318,000 for leasing services.

Regular Calendar**17. Proposed New Fare Media**

Sam Kaur, Department Manager of Revenue Administration, provided a presentation on this item.

Public comments were heard from Peter Warner and David Martinez.



A motion was made by Director Foley, seconded by Director Sarmiento, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Receive and file the final Public Involvement Plan Report.
- B. Direct staff to implement the new fare media with the launch of the Rider Validation system.

Director Wagner voted in opposition to this item.

Directors Jung and J. Nguyen were not present to vote on this item.

Discussion Items

18. Public Comments

A public comment was received via email from Craig Durfey.

An in-person public comment was heard from Peter Warner.

19. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Johnson, CEO, reported on the following:

- OCTA recognition from the American Society of Civil Engineers Awards
- Jeannie Lee, Capital Project Delivery Department, was honored as the Outstanding Civil Engineer in the Public Sector

20. Directors' Reports

There were no Directors' Reports.

21. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board will be held:

9:30 a.m. on Monday, June 9, 2025

OCTA Headquarters

Board Room

550 South Main Street,

Orange, California