

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-057**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGE COUNTY  
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ADOPTING A MITIGATED NEGATIVE  
DECLARATION FOR THE METROLINK ORANGE COUNTY MAINTENANCE  
FACILITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), acting as the Lead Agency as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code §§21000 et seq., prepared an Initial Study for a new Metrolink maintenance facility located on a 21.3-acre parcel of land owned by OCTA in the City of Irvine (Project); and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Initial Study was to determine whether the Project may have potential significant effects on the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the findings in the Initial Study, OCTA prepared a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Project and published a Notice of Intent to adopt same in accordance with CEQA and the CEQA guidelines (14 California Code of Regulations §§15000 et seq.)

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the OCTA Board of Directors finds as follows:

1. The Board of Directors has considered the Initial Study, the Mitigated Negative Declaration, the comments received during the public review process, the staff report and all other documents, oral testimony and other evidence presented at the meeting on this Resolution and finds that there is not substantial evidence in light of the whole record that the Project will have any significant impacts on the environment.
2. The Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects OCTA's independent judgment and analysis.
3. The record of proceedings on which the Board of Director's decision is based is on file with the Clerk of the Board at OCTA, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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GENE HERNANDEZ, CHAIRMAN  
ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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JAMES M. DONICH  
GENERAL COUNSEL

ATTEST:

I, Andrea West, Clerk of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Transportation Authority, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2023-057, by the following votes:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

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ANDREA WEST  
CLERK OF THE BOARD