



**Committee Members Present**

Donald P. Wagner, Chair  
Katrina Foley, Vice Chair  
Jon Dumitru  
Fred Jung  
Tam T. Nguyen  
Mark Tettemer

**Staff Present**

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

**Call to Order**

The November 21, 2024, regular meeting of the Legislative and Communications Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Wagner at 9:01 a.m.

**Special Calendar**

**1. Conference Call with State Legislative Advocate Moira Topp**

Moira Topp, State Legislative Advocate, provided an update on this item.

No action was taken on this item.

**Consent Calendar (Items 2 and 3)**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Director Tettemer, seconded by Director Dumitru, and declared passed by those present to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2024 Legislative and Communications Committee Meeting.

**3. Status Report of State Legislation Enacted in 2024**

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

**Regular Calendar**

**4. Agreement for Federal Legislative Advocacy and Consulting Services**

Kristin Jacinto, Executive Director of Government Relations, provided a report on this item.

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



- A. Approve the selection of Potomac Partners DC to provide federal legislative advocacy and consulting services.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-4-2285 with Potomac Partners DC, in the amount of \$540,000, for the period of January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2026, with two, two-year option terms, to perform federal legislative advocacy and consulting services.

**5. Final 2025-26 State and Federal Legislative Platforms**

Kristin Jacinto, Executive Director of Government Relations, noted a correction to Attachment B.

Attachment B will be revised to include the following:

**IX. Environmental & Energy Issues:**

- d. Support efforts related to separate and distinct sand nourishment permits.

Alexis Carter, Senior Government Relations Representative, provided a report on this item.

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

- A. Adopt the revised 2025-26 State and Federal Legislative Platforms.
- B. Direct staff to distribute the adopted platforms to elected officials, advisory committees, local governments, affected agencies, the business community, and other interested parties.

**Discussion Items**

**6. Marketing and Communications Update**

Ryan Armstrong, Department Manager of Marketing and Customer Engagement, provided a PowerPoint presentation.

No action was taken on this information item.

**7. OC Bus Riders Safety Perception Survey**

Ryan Maloney, Section Manager of Marketing and Customer Service, provided opening comments and introduced Chris Tathan, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the ETC Institute, who provided a PowerPoint presentation.



Director Foley requested that in the next report to indicate the most targeted safety-concerned areas that are outside of the bus.

No action was taken on this information item.

**8. Public Comments**

There were no public comments received.

**9. Chief Executive Officer's Report**

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, OC Bus Service will run on a Sunday/Holiday schedule, and the administrative offices will be closed next Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

**10. Committee Members' Reports**

There were no Committee Members' reports.

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

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

**9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 16, 2025**

OCTA Headquarters

Board Room

550 South Main Street

Orange, California

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Sahara Meisenheimer  
Clerk of the Board Specialist