



Call to Order

The January 26, 2026, regular meeting of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors and its affiliated agencies was called to order by Chair Federico at 9:30 a.m. at the OCTA Headquarters, located at 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.

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

Directors Absent: Tam T. Nguyen

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

Closed Session

1. Closed Session

A Closed Session was held as follows:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) - Conference with General Counsel - Existing Litigation - Douglas Neagle v. Orange County Transportation Authority, et al., OCSC Case No. 30-2024-01407005.

James Donich, General Counsel, stated there was no report out on this item.

All members were present except Director Tam T. Nguyen.

Special Calendar

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

Resolutions were presented to Sigifredo Arredondo Sanchez, Coach Operator, Javier Oseguera, Maintenance, and Jacqueline Moon, Administration, as Employees of the Month for January 2026.

3. 2026 Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer Initiatives and Action Plan

No action was taken on this receive and file information item.

4. Approval of 2026 Orange County Transportation Authority Board Committees and External Agencies' Assignments

A motion was made by Vice Chair Jung, seconded by Director Leon to:

- A. Approve the Chair's assignments for the 2026 Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors' committees comprised of the Executive, Finance and Administration, Legislative and Communications, Regional Transportation Planning, State Route 91 Advisory, Transit, and Environmental Oversight committees.
- B. Receive the Chair's assignments for the 2026 external agencies comprised of the California Association of Councils of Governments, Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency, Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee, Southern California Association of Governments' Regional Council, Orange County Council of Governments, and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority.

Consent Calendar (Items 5 through 10)

A motion was made by Director Amezcua, seconded by Director J. Nguyen, and declared passed by all those present to approve Items 5 through 10 on the Consent Calendar.

5. Approval of Minutes

Approve the minutes of the January 12, 2026, Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies' regular meeting.

6. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Internal Audit Plan, Second Quarter Update

Receive and file the second quarter update to the Orange County Transportation Authority Internal Audit Department Fiscal Year 2025-26 Internal Audit Plan as an information item.

7. Fiscal Year 2024-25 Single Audit and Agreed-Upon Procedures Reports

Receive and file the fiscal year 2024-25 Single Audit Report and agreed-upon procedures reports as information items.

8. Employee Commuter Club Program, Internal Audit Report No. 26-505

Direct staff to implement four recommendations provided in Employee Commuter Club Program, Internal Audit Report No. 26-505.

9. Fiscal Year 2025-26 First Quarter Budget Status Report

Receive and file as an information item.

10. Orange County Transportation Authority Investment and Debt Programs Report - November 2025

Receive and file as an information item.

Regular Calendar

There were no Regular Calendar matters.

Discussion Items**11. Public Comments**

There were no public comments received.

12. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, reported on the following:

- Interstate 5 Improvement Project Groundbreaking Event
- OC Streetcar Update

13. Directors' Reports

Director Sarmiento acknowledged the Coach Operators, who run routes 431 and 543 along Harbor Boulevard and Orangethorpe Avenue, and for being extremely helpful when explaining constitutional rights to many bus riders.

Chair Federico expressed his appreciation to the Board's willingness to serve on the Committees and external agencies.



14. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board will be held:
9:30 a.m., on Monday, February 9, 2026
OCTA Headquarters
Board Room
550 South Main Street
Orange, California