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To: Finance and Administration Committee

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Fiscal Year 2025-26 Third Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report

Overview

The Quarterly Grant Reimbursement Status Report summarizes grant activities for the Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors. This report focuses on activity for the third quarter of fiscal year 2025-26, covering January through March 2026.

Recommendation

Receive and file as an information item.

Discussion

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) has secured grant funding from federal and state agencies to deliver programs, projects, and services to improve mobility in Orange County. The use of grant funds is consistent with the capital programming policies approved by the Board of Directors (Board). The Quarterly Grant Reimbursement Status Report summarizes current and closed grant agreements.

New Grant Agreements:

During this quarter, OCTA executed one grant agreement.

The grant was received from the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP). OCTA received \$10.14 million in LCTOP funds to continue the Youth Ride Free Program. The Youth Ride Free Program allows OCTA to offer free fares to youth under 18 years.

Current Grant Agreements:

OCTA has 12 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula grant agreements and four FTA discretionary grant agreements.

The 12 FTA formula grant agreements have a total federal amount of \$234.7 million. A total of \$102.1 million has been reimbursed, leaving a balance of approximately \$132.6 million. The balance of these FTA formula grant agreements will primarily fund bus operations, the OC Streetcar Project, and rail rehabilitation projects.

The four FTA discretionary grant agreements have a total federal amount of \$153.1 million. This includes the full funding grant agreement award of \$148.9 million. A total of \$136.9 million has been reimbursed, leaving a balance of \$16.3 million. The balance of these FTA discretionary grant agreements will primarily fund the OC Streetcar Project.

The total FTA formula and discretionary grant agreements amount to \$387.9 million. The total amount reimbursed through the third quarter under these grant agreements is \$239 million, leaving a balance of \$148.9 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment A.

OCTA has 42 active State and Federal Highway Administration formula grant agreements that total \$461.5 million. The total amount reimbursed through the third quarter under these agreements is \$108.4 million, leaving a balance of \$353.1 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment B.

In addition, OCTA has 22 active discretionary grant agreements totaling approximately \$41.3 million. The total amount reimbursed through the third quarter under these other agreements is \$14.1 million, leaving a balance of \$27.2 million. These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment C.

This report is as of March 31, 2026, and any grants with a deadline between the quarter end and the date this report is published, will be reimbursed and closed out. This activity will be reflected in next quarter's report. Additionally, for these grants, staff anticipates each of the remaining balances to be fully reimbursed prior to the grant agreement expiration date.

Closed Grant Agreements:

There were five grant agreements totaling \$28.8 million that were closed out in the third quarter of FY 2025-26.

The remaining balance for the Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation grant reflects project savings. All eligible expenses were reimbursed.

These grant agreements are summarized in Attachment D.

Summary

This report provides an update of the grant agreement-funded activities for the third quarter of FY 2025-26, January through March 2026. Staff recommends this report be received and filed as an information item.

Attachments

- A. Third Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, January through March 2026, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Formula and Discretionary Grant Agreements
- B. Third Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, January through March 2026, State and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Formula Grant Agreements
- C. Third Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, January through March 2026, Discretionary Grants
- D. Third Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report, January through March 2026, Closed Grant Agreements

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