



April 16, 2026

To: Finance and Administration Committee

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

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Subject: Amendment to the 91 Express Lanes Riverside County Transportation Commission / Orange County Transportation Authority Facility Agreement

Overview

The 91 Express Lanes Riverside County Transportation Commission / Orange County Transportation Authority Facility Agreement prescribes the funding transfers between the two agencies for costs incurred for the rental of administrative offices and any shared operational expenses in relation to the 91 Express Lanes. An amendment is needed to account for the reimbursement of anticipated shared operating costs incurred by the Riverside County Transportation Commission for the period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 11 to Agreement No. C-5-3828 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Riverside County Transportation Commission in the amount of \$550,000 for the reimbursement of shared operational expenses through June 30, 2027.

Discussion

To facilitate the exchange of funds between the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), the joint operations of the 91 Express Lanes Facility Agreement (ROFA) was executed in November 2015. This agreement prescribes the funding transfers between the two agencies for costs incurred for the rent and any shared operational expenses for the 91 Express Lanes. As an example, RCTC contracts with a vendor for the procurement of transponders, which are to be provided to the 91 Express Lanes' account holders. Under the ROFA arrangement, OCTA will reimburse RCTC for half of the purchase cost. Alternatively, OCTA is the

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lessee of the 91 Express Lanes administrative office in the City of Anaheim, and RCTC will reimburse OCTA for half of the rent.

Under the terms of the ROFA, both agencies are to annually establish a fiscal year budget that identifies the funding and payment of joint operating costs each year. Staff has identified the shared operational expenses and has assigned responsibility for the administration and payment of these expenses. An amendment to the ROFA is required in the amount of \$550,000 to reimburse joint operating costs incurred by RCTC through June 30, 2027.

Funding for Amendment No. 11 to Agreement No. C-5-3828 is included in OCTA's Proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Budget, 91 Express Lanes account.

Summary

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 11 to Agreement No. C-5-3828 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Riverside County Transportation Commission in the amount of \$550,000 for the reimbursement of shared operational expenses through June 30, 2027.

Attachments

- A. Riverside County Transportation Commission – Orange County Transportation Authority Facility Agreement No. C-5-3828 Fact Sheet
- B. Draft Amendment No. 11 to 91 Express Lanes RCTC-OCTA Facility Agreement ("ROFA")

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