



Call to Order

The April 22, 2024, regular meeting of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors and affiliated agencies was called to order by Chair Nguyen at 9:00 a.m. at the OCTA Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.

Directors Present: Tam T. Nguyen, Chair
Doug Chaffee, Vice Chair
Valerie Amezcua
Andrew Do
Jon Dumitru
Jamey Federico
Katrina Foley
Patrick Harper
Michael Hennessey
Fred Jung -Via Teleconference
Farrah N. Khan
Stephanie Klopfenstein
Vicente Sarmiento
John Stephens
Donald P. Wagner

Directors Absent: Ashleigh Aitken

Staff Present: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer
Andrea West, Clerk of the Board
Gina Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board
Allison Cheshire, Clerk of the Board, Senior
James Donich, General Counsel

1. Closed Session

A Closed Session was held as follows:

- A. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss negotiations with Teamsters Local 952 regarding the coach operators.
- B. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 - Conference with real property negotiators for the following properties:
 - 1. 2677 North Main Street, Santa Ana CA 92705.
 - 2. 550 & 600 South Main Street, Orange CA 92868.
 - 3. Parcel No. APN 253-532-07.

All members were present except Director Aitken.

There was no report out on this item.

Special Calendar

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

Resolutions of Appreciation were presented to Shernea Tennison, Coach Operator; Antonio Gallegos, Maintenance; Megan Bornman, Administration, as Employees of the Month for April 2024.

Consent Calendar (Items 3 through 11)

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2024 Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies' regular meeting.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

4. Orange County Transportation Authority Investment and Debt Programs Report - February 2024

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to receive and file as an information item.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

5. Approval to Release Request for Proposals for Board of Directors' Meeting Video Streaming Services

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to:

- A. Approve the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings for Request for Proposals 4-2221 to select a firm to provide video streaming services for Board of Directors' meetings.
- B. Approve the release of Request for Proposals 4-2221 to select a firm to provide video streaming services for Board of Directors' meetings for a three-year term with two, one-year option terms.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

6. State Legislative Status Report

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 13-1 to:

- A. Adopt an OPPOSE position on AB 2535 (Bonta, D-Oakland), which would prohibit the California Transportation Commission from allocating Trade Corridor Enhancement Program funding to a project that expands the highway footprint in certain communities.
- B. Adopt a SUPPORT position on AB 2824 (McCarty, D-Sacramento), which would expand the application of enhanced penalties for battery against a transit operator or ticketing agent to also apply to transit employees and contractors of a public transportation provider.

Director Sarmiento voted in opposition to this item.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

Public comment was received via email from Jenn Tanaka.

7. Federal Legislative Status Report

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to receive and file as an information item.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

8. Low Carbon Transit Operations Program Recommendations for OC Bus Transit Projects

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to:

- A. Approve Resolution No. 2024-016 to authorize the use of \$10,349,538 in fiscal year 2023-24 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program funds for the 40 Hydrogen Fuel Cell Buses Project.
- B. Approve Resolution No. 2024-017 to authorize the use of prior year funds and interest earnings totaling \$3,171,997 for new or expanded Bravo!/Rapid bus services and the Youth Ride Free Program.
- C. Authorize staff to make all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program as well as negotiate and execute any necessary agreements with regional, state, or federal agencies to facilitate the recommendations above.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

9. Approval to Release Request for Proposals for the Replacement of Fareboxes and Related Fare Collection Equipment

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to:

- A. Approve the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings for Request for Proposals 4-2110 to select a firm for the development and implementation of replacement fareboxes and related fare collection equipment for the fixed-route bus system.
- B. Approve the release of Request for Proposals 4-2110 for the development and implementation of replacement fareboxes and related fare collection equipment for the fixed-route bus system.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

10. Amendment to Agreement for Customer Information Center

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. C-0-2698 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Alta Resources to exercise the first option term, in the amount of \$2,049,987, to continue providing customer information center call services, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026. This will increase the maximum obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$5,030,427.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

11. OC Streetcar Project Quarterly Update

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Chaffee, and following a roll call vote, passed 14-0 to receive and file as an information item.

Director Amezcua was not present to vote on this item.

Regular Calendar

12. Agreement for Independent Annual Financial Auditing Services

Janet Sutter, Executive Director of Internal Audit, provided a verbal report on this item.

A motion was made by Director Dumitru, seconded by Director Do, and following a roll call vote, passed 13-0 to:

- A. Approve the selection of Crowe LLP, as the firm to provide independent annual financial auditing services.

- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-3-2931 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Crowe LLP, in the amount of \$1,785,500, to provide independent annual financial auditing services for a three-year initial term with one, two-year option term.

Directors Amezcua and Wagner were not present to vote on this item.

13. Award the Purchase of Vehicles for OC ACCESS

Cliff Thorne, Director of Maintenance, verbally reported this item.

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Klopfenstein, and following a roll call vote, passed 13-0 to:

- A. Approve the selection of Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc., doing business as Creative Bus Sales, Inc. as the firm to provide up to 108 vans for OC ACCESS, with an option for up to 19 additional vehicles.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Purchase Order No. C-3-2510 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc., doing business as Creative Bus Sales, Inc. in the amount of \$20,315,700, for the initial purchase of up to 108 vans for OC ACCESS.
- C. Approve the selection of Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc., doing business as Creative Bus Sales, Inc. as the firm to provide up to 13 gasoline-powered cutaway buses for OC ACCESS, with an option for up to ten additional vehicles.
- D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Purchase Order No. C-3-2511 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Model 1 Commercial Vehicles, Inc., doing business as Creative Bus Sales, Inc., in the amount of \$3,028,918 for the initial purchase of up to 13 gasoline-powered cutaways for OC ACCESS.

Directors Amezcua and Wagner were not present to vote on this item.

14. Award the Purchase of Driver Protection Systems

Cliff Thorne, Director of Maintenance, verbally reported this item.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Chaffee, seconded by Director Sarmiento, and following a roll call vote, passed 13-0 to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Purchase Order No. C-3-2843 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Complete Coach Works, in the amount of \$2,081,120 for the purchase of up to 204 driver protection systems for fixed-route buses.

Directors Amezcua and Wagner were not present to vote on this item.



Discussion Items

15. Public Comments

The clerk's office received a public comment via email from Suzie Whitelaw.

16. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, provided a report on the following:

- Earth Day
- Climate Adaptation and Sustainability Plan

17. Directors' Reports

There were no Directors' Reports.

18. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

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

9:00 a.m., on Monday, May 13, 2024

OCTA Headquarters
Board Room
550 South Main Street
Orange, California

ATTEST:

Gina Ramirez
Assistant Clerk of the Board