



## **Call to Order**

The May 12, 2025, regular meeting of the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Board of Directors and affiliated agencies was called to order by Chair Chaffee at 9:30 a.m. at the OCTA Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.

**Directors Present:** Doug Chaffee, Chair  
Jamey M. Federico, Vice Chair  
Valerie Amezcua  
Katrina Foley  
William Go  
Patrick Harper  
Michael Hennessey  
Fred Jung  
Stephanie Klopfenstein  
Carlos A. Leon  
Janet Nguyen  
Tam T. Nguyen  
Vicente Sarmiento  
John Stephens  
Kathy Tavoularis  
Mark Tettemer

**Directors Absent:** Donald P. Wagner  
Lan Zhou, Ex-Officio

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

## **Closed Session**

A Closed Session was not scheduled at this meeting.

## **Special Calendar**

### **1. Administration of the Oath of Office to New Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Director**

James Donich, General Counsel, administered the Oath of Office to new Board Member William Go.

**2. Update on Emergency Need for Railroad Track Stabilization in the Vicinity of Mile Post 203.83 to 204.40 and 206.10 to 206.70 on the Orange Subdivision**

James G. Beil, Executive Director of Capital Programs, provided a presentation on this item.

A motion was made by Director Foley, seconded by Director Sarmiento, and declared passed by those present to reaffirm Resolution No. 2025-025 to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to take all necessary actions to address the emergency need for railroad track stabilization in the vicinity of Mile Post 203.83 to 204.40 and 206.10 to 206.70 on the Orange Subdivision, and to return to the Board of Directors, as required, to report on the status thereof.

**Consent Calendar (Items 3 through 17)**

**3. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2025 Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies' regular meeting.

**4. Approval of the Revised 2025 Orange County Transportation Authority Board of Directors Committee and External Agencies' Assignments**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the revised Chair's assignments for the 2025 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 revised Chair's assignments for the 2025 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.

**5. Cooperative Agreement with the County of Orange, Orange County Sheriff's Department**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-5-4051 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the County of Orange, Orange County Sheriff's Department, for a five-year term effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030, in the initial amount of \$15,523,166 to fund transit police services provided from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030.

**6. Sole Source Agreement for Motorist Assistance Call Answering Services**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute sole source Agreement No. C-5-3932 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and AAMCOM, LLC, in the amount of \$645,455, to provide call answering services for the 511 Motorist Assistance and Traveler Information and Freeway call box systems for a six-year term.

**7. Approval to Release Request for Proposals for Temporary Staffing Services**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings for Request for Proposals 5-4052 to select a firm or firms to provide temporary staffing services.
- B. Approve the release of Request for Proposals 5-4052 for a firm or firms to provide temporary staffing services for a three-year initial term with two, two-year option terms.

**8. Approval to Release Request for Proposals for Claims Administration of the Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Program**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the proposed evaluation criteria and weightings for Request for Proposals 5-3964 to select a firm to provide claims administration for the Orange County Transportation Authority's Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Program.
- B. Approve the release of Request for Proposals 5-3964 for a firm to provide claims administration for the Orange County Transportation Authority's Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Program.

**9. 2025 Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer Initiatives and Action Plan - First Quarter Progress Report**

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

**10. Regional Planning Update**

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

**11. Amendment to Agreement for Mobile Ticketing Services**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. C-0-2067 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Siemens Mobility, Inc. in the amount of \$207,621, to exercise the first option term for licensing, maintenance, and commission fees of the mobile ticketing application effective through June 30, 2027. This will increase the maximum cumulative payment obligation to a total contract value of \$1,333,049.

**12. Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project Between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-5-4067 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation, in an amount of \$267,725,000, comprised of a construction capital share of \$223,000,000, and a construction management services share of \$44,725,000, for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue.

**13. Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2024-25 Capital Action Plan and Performance Metrics**

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

**14. Contract Change Orders for Construction of the OC Streetcar Project**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 4.5 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$250,000, to address utility conflicts.

- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 71.3 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$200,000, for traffic signal ethernet switches.
- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Contract Change Order No. 293 to Agreement No. C-7-1904 with Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, in the amount of \$900,000, for communication systems and train control software updates and license extensions.

Director Janet Nguyen abstained from voting on this item.

Director Jung voted in opposition to Recommendation C.

**15. Amendment to Agreement for the Operations and Maintenance Services for the OC Streetcar Project**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. C-8-2039 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Herzog Transit Services, Inc. in the amount of \$5,938,341, and modify the initial agreement term through March 31, 2031, to align the revenue service contract years with the revised project timeline for operations and maintenance services for the OC Streetcar project. This will increase the maximum cumulative obligation of the agreement to a total contract value of \$59,003,931.

**16. Consultant Selection for Construction Management Support Services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project Between Yale Avenue and State Route 55**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the selection of HDR Construction Control Corporation as the firm to provide construction management support services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Yale Avenue and State Route 55.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-4-2614 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and HDR Construction Control Corporation to provide construction management support services for the Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Yale Avenue and State Route 55.

**17. Measure M2 Eligibility for the City of Orange**

A motion was made by Director Hennessey, seconded by Director Amezcua, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the City of Orange as eligible to receive Measure M2 net revenues.
- B. Direct staff to reinstate payments to the City of Orange for Measure M2 net revenues, which were held during its period of ineligibility (less fiscal year 2023-24 audit costs).

## **Regular Calendar**

### **18. Amendment to the Master Plan of Arterial Highways**

Rose Casey, Executive Director of Planning, provided a presentation on this item.

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

- A. Approve amending the Master Plan of Arterial Highways to fully remove the Garfield-Gisler Santa Ana River crossing.
- B. Direct staff to close out the Memorandum of Understanding C-6-0834 among the cities of Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, and Huntington Beach, and the Orange County Transportation Authority regarding agency responsibilities for implementing the consensus recommendation for the Garfield-Gisler bridge crossing over the Santa Ana River.
- C. Direct the Executive Director of Planning, or her designee, to file a Notice of Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act in support of the Master Plan of Arterial Highways amendment.

### **19. OC Streetcar Project Quarterly Update**

Jeff Mills, Director of Capital Project Delivery, and Tresa Oliveri, Principal Community Relations Specialist, provided an update on this item.

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

### **20. Measure M2 Eligibility for the City of Huntington Beach**

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), provided opening comments and introduced Adriann Cardoso, Department Manager of Planning, who provided a report on this item.

Public comment was heard from Travis Hopkins, City Manager of Huntington Beach.

A motion was made by Director Janet Nguyen, seconded by Director Amezcua, to move staff recommendations with the addition of recommendations D, E, and F, and declared passed by a roll call vote of 11-4 to:

- A. Seek reimbursement of \$29,249 from the City of Huntington Beach and find the City of Huntington Beach ineligible to receive Measure M2 net revenues for five years pursuant to Section 10.4 of Ordinance No. 3.
- B. Authorize the Internal Auditor to engage independent auditor services to apply agreed-upon procedures to review the City of Huntington Beach's Measure M2 Local Fair Share program and other expenditures for fiscal year 2024-25, fiscal year 2025-26, fiscal year 2026-27, fiscal year 2027-28, and fiscal year 2028-29, to enable the City of Huntington Beach to reestablish eligibility and authorize staff to deduct the review costs from any future net Measure M2 payments to the City of Huntington Beach.
- C. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute an agreement with the City of Huntington Beach to formalize the required actions to reestablish eligibility and other terms.
- D. The City of Huntington Beach can apply for grants through the Comprehensive Transportation Funding Program, with any awarded funds placed into an escrow account.
- E. Request staff to return with a proposed amendment to the Measure M2 ordinance, allowing the board discretion in evaluating the materiality of similar future violations.
- F. Request staff to bring back a proposal allowing the City of Buena Park, which previously had a similar issue, the same opportunity for competitive grant eligibility.

Directors Foley, Hennessey, Leon, and Sarmiento voted in opposition.

Director Stephens was not present to vote.

## **Discussion Items**

### **21. Public Comments**

Public comment was heard from Paul Hyek.

### **22. Orange County Transportation Authority Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget Workshop**

Andrew Oftelie, Chief Financial Officer, and Sean Murdock, Director of Finance, presented this item.

No action was taken on this informational item.



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

Darrell E. Johnson, CEO, reported on the following:

- California Resources Air Board approved the Regional Transportation Plan/ Sustainable Communities Strategy.
- Bike Rally event on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**24. Directors' Reports**

Director Amezcua thanked Ted Nguyen, Senior Section Manager of Public Outreach, and the Marketing team for their outstanding work at the Mother's Day event held at the Senior Center in Santa Ana on Friday, May 9, 2025.

**25. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

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

**9:30 a.m., on TUESDAY, May 27, 2025**

OCTA Headquarters

Board Room

550 South Main Street

Orange, California