



Committee Members Present

Donald P. Wagner, Chair
Katrina Foley, Vice Chair
Ashley Aitken
Jon Dumitru
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
Andrea West, Clerk of the Board
James Donich, General Counsel
OCTA Staff

Committee Members Absent

Fred Jung

Call to Order

The March 21, 2024, regular meeting of the Legislative and Communications Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Wagner at 9:00 a.m.

Special Calendar

1. Conference Call with State Legislative Advocate Moira Topp

Moira Topp, State Legislative Advocate, provided an update on this item.

No action was taken on this item.

Consent Calendar (Item 2)

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Aitken, seconded by Director Nguyen, and declared passed by those present to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2024, Legislative and Communications Committee Meeting.

Regular Calendar

3. State Legislative Status Report

Lance M. Larson, Executive Director of Government Relations, provided opening comments and introduced Alexis Leicht, Government Relations Representative, who provided an update on this item.

A motion was made by Committee Chair Wagner, seconded by Director Dumitru, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Adopt a SUPPORT position on AB 2043 (Boerner, D-Solana Beach), which would require Medi Cal Managed Care Plans to reimburse public transit operators for nonmedical transportation and non-emergency medical transportation services.



- B. Adopt a SUPPORT position on AB 2259 (Boerner, D-Solana Beach), which would require CalSTA to develop and distribute a bicycle safety handbook on or before September 1, 2025.

Director Nguyen was not present to vote on this item.

Director Dumitru requested that Recommendation C be voted on separately from Recommendations A and B.

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Foley, seconded by Director Aitken, and declared passed as amended by those present to:

- C. Adopt a ~~SUPPORT~~ WATCH position on SB 1011 (Jones, R-San Diego), which would make a conditional prohibition for a person to unlawfully occupy a public space, including public transit stops, open spaces, and schools.

Director Dumitri voted in opposition to this item.

Director Nguyen was not present to vote on this item.

Vice Chair Foley requested that Recommendation D be voted on separately from Recommendations A, B, and C.

A motion was made by Committee Chair Wagner, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Foley, and declared passed as amended by those present to:

- D. Direct staff to engage with the author's office and work with Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor member agencies to help inform and identify any potential improvements to SB 1098 (Blakespear, D-Encinitas).

4. Federal Legislative Status Report

Lance M. Larson, Executive Director of Government Relations, provided opening comments and introduced Kristin Jacinto, Department Manager, Government Relations, who provided an update on this item.

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



Discussion Items

5. **Angels Express Overview**

Ryan Armstrong, Department Manager of Marketing and Customer Engagement, and Megan Taylor, Principal Transportation Analyst, provided an overview of the resumption of Angels Express service and its marketing efforts for the 2024 baseball season.

Following the discussion, no action was taken on this item.

6. **Public Comments**

There were no public comments received.

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

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

- OC Bus Rapid
- Los Angeles- San Diego- San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Update

8. **Committee Members' Reports**

There were no Committee Members' Reports.

9. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

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

9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2024

OCTA Headquarters

Board Room

550 South Main Street

Orange, California

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Gina Ramirez
Assistant Clerk of the Board