

Orange County Transportation Authority Board Meeting
OCTA Headquarters
First Floor - Room 154
600 South Main Street, Orange, California
Monday, February 27, 2006, at 9:00 a.m.

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Invocation

Director Silva

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Rosen

Agenda Descriptions

The agenda descriptions are intended to give members of the public a general summary of items of business to be transacted or discussed. The posting of the recommended actions does not indicate what action will be taken. The Board of Directors may take any action which it deems to be appropriate on the agenda item and is not limited in any way by the notice of the recommended action.

Public Comments on Agenda Items

Members of the public wishing to address the Board of Directors regarding any item appearing on the agenda may do so by completing a Speaker's Card and submitting it to the Clerk of the Board. Speakers will be recognized by the Chairman at the time the agenda item is to be considered. A speaker's comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes.

Special Matters

1. The Road to #1

A tribute to former Board Members and executives in honor of the American Public Transportation Association's award to OCTA as America's Number One Transportation System for 2005.

2. Presentation of Resolutions of Appreciation for Employees of the Month for February 2006

Present Orange County Transportation Authority Resolutions of Appreciation Nos. 2006-09, 2006-10, 2006-11 to Martin Lubus, Coach Operator; Cesar Carrillo, Maintenance; and Ron Wolf, Administration, as Employees of the Month for February 2006.

Consent Calendar (Items 3 through 14)

All matters on the Consent Calendar are to be approved in one motion unless a Board Member or a member of the public requests separate action on a specific item.

Orange County Transportation Authority Consent Calendar Matters

3. Approval of Minutes

Of the Orange County Transportation Authority and affiliated agencies' regular meeting of February 14, 2006.

4. Approval of Resolutions of Appreciation for Employees of the Month for February 2006

Adopt Orange County Transportation Authority Resolutions of Appreciation Nos. 2006-09, 2006-10, and 2006-11 to Martin Lubus, Coach Operator, Cesar Carrillo, Maintenance, and Ron Wolf, Administration, as Employees of the Month for February 2006.

5. State Legislative Status Report

Wendy Villa/Richard J. Bacigalupo

Overview

The last day for bill introduction in this legislative session is February 24, 2006. Proposed bill language is attached for sponsorship regarding planning, programming, and monitoring funds. The Assembly Republicans' "Pay As You Go" infrastructure plan is described. The two-year deadline for prior-year bills to pass their house of origin passed on January 31, 2006.

Recommendation

Co-Sponsor legislation to provide predictable and sufficient resources to transportation agencies to plan, program, monitor, and manage projects.

6. Second Quarter Payroll Distribution Review

Robert A. Duffy/Richard J. Bacigalupo

Overview

The Internal Audit Department has completed a payroll distribution review of the Planning & Analysis Department. A response to the report was not required.

Recommendation

Receive and file the Second Quarter Payroll Distribution Review, Internal Audit Report No. 06-027.

7. Buy America Review

Robert A. Duffy/Richard J. Bacigalupo

Overview

Internal Audit has reviewed the costs for the vehicles proposed by Creative Bus Sales, Incorporated for procurements of 10 and 32 vans to determine if the costs were in compliance with federal "Buy America" guidelines. During the review, Internal Audit determined that vehicle costs in excess of 60 percent will be of United States content, in conformity with the requirements of Section 165(a) or (b)3 of the Surface Transportation Act of 1982, as amended.

7. **(Continued)**

Recommendation

Receive and file the Creative Bus Sales, Inc. – Procurement of 10 Vans, Buy America Review, Internal Audit Report No. 06-030, and the Creative Bus Sales, Inc. – Procurement of 32 Vans, Buy America Review, Internal Audit Report No. 06-031.

8. **Review of the Human Resources Information System, Post-Implementation**

Robert A. Duffy/Richard J. Bacigalupo

Overview

The Internal Audit Department has completed a review of the Human Resources Information System and the related application security. There were no recommendations for improvements, therefore a response to the report was not required.

Recommendation

Receive and file the Review of the Human Resources Information System, Post Implementation, Internal Audit Report No. 06-013.

9. **Review of Procurement - Revisions to Procurement Policies and Procedures**

Robert A. Duffy/Richard J. Bacigalupo

Overview

The Internal Audit Department has completed a limited review of compliance with the procurement revisions that were approved by the Board of Directors on July 26, 2004. The Internal Audit Department determined that the procurement revisions have been implemented. A response to the report was not required.

9. (Continued)

Recommendation

Receive and file the Review of Procurement - Revisions to Procurement Policies and Procedures, Internal Audit Report No. 06-004.

10. Status of Santa Ana River Crossings Study

Wendy Garcia/Paul C. Taylor

Overview

On June 6, 2005, the Board of Directors authorized staff to complete the consultant selection process for a Preliminary Engineering and Supplemental Environmental Impact Report to assess the feasibility of the Garfield-Gisler Bridge crossing over the Santa Ana River. The intent of the report was to provide information that would enable the cities of Costa Mesa, Fountain Valley, and Huntington Beach to reach a consensus as to whether the bridge should be constructed or deleted from the Master Plan of Arterial Highways. As the study progressed, it was determined that the 2001 Environmental Impact Report could not be used as the basis for a supplemental Environmental Impact Report. Consequently, staff has been working with the cities in the Garfield-Gisler study area to define other options for reaching consensus on the ultimate disposition of the bridge. Those options and a summary of the overall study process and budget are described herein.

Recommendations

- A. Receive and file as an information item.
- B. Direct staff to present another progress report to the Board of Directors within 90 days.

11. Amendment to Provisions of 2004 Call-Approved Arterial Highway Rehabilitation Program Projects

Kanwal J. Singh/Paul C. Taylor

Overview

There has been considerable change in construction costs since the Orange County Transportation Authority awarded \$86,827,523 of federal funding for street rehabilitation projects in June 2005. This report outlines a strategy developed in consultation with the Technical Steering and Advisory Committees that offers flexibility to local agencies to address the issue within available budget limits.

Recommendations

- A. Allow local agencies to modify scope of rehabilitation projects to facilitate delivery within currently available Orange County Transportation Authority allocated federal funds and committed matching local funds.
- B. Allow local agencies to shift Orange County Transportation Authority allocated federal funds among their approved rehabilitation projects while maintaining each agency's maximum allocation of federal funds and committed matching local funds.
- C. Authorize staff to administratively implement the above recommendations for the federally funded rehabilitation projects.

12. Selection of an On-Call Contractor for Earth Grading Services

Charles Guess/Stanley G. Phernambucq

Overview

As part of the Orange County Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2005-06 Budget, the Board approved a construction budget for the Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Gateway Project. A specific expenditure now required is an on-call contractor to provide earth grading services for the Union Pacific Storage Track relocation work. An offer was received in accordance with the Orange County Transportation Authority's procurement procedures for professional and technical services. Board approval is requested to execute an agreement.

12. (Continued)

Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute Agreement C-5-2978 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Demo Unlimited, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,905,000, for earth grading services.

13. Request to Release Request For Proposals for Operation of the Customer Information Center

Linda Fenner/Ellen S. Burton

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority contracts with an outside provider to operate its Customer Information Center. The contract with the current provider expires on December 31, 2006. This report describes Customer Information Center functions as well as the recommended criteria to be used for evaluating proposals from vendors.

Recommendation

Release a Request for Proposals for procurement of a call center service provider to operate the Orange County Transportation Authority's Customer Information Center. The new contract will go into effect January 1, 2007.

Orange County Transit District Consent Calendar Matters

14. Amendment to Agreement for Bus Stop Solar Lights

Al Pierce/William L. Foster

Overview

On June 13, 2005, the Board of Directors approved an agreement with Carmanah Technologies, Inc., in the amount of \$174,000, to manufacture and install 300 bus stop solar lighting units. Carmanah Technologies, Inc., was retained in accordance with the Orange County Transportation Authority's procurement procedures for professional and technical services.

14. (Continued)

Committee Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement C-5-0468 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Carmanah Technologies, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$211,700, to manufacture and install 365 bus stop solar lighting units.

Regular Calendar

Orange County Transportation Authority Regular Calendar Matters

15. Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Gateway Project Cost Update and Amendment to Agreement with the California Department of Transportation

Charles Guess/Stanley G. Phernambucq

Overview

The bids for the Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Gateway Project, received on February 9, 2006, came in higher than the original estimates requiring amendments to the funding plan, State Transportation Improvement Program, Federal Transportation Improvement Program, and the cooperative agreement with the California Department of Transportation for construction and construction management.

Recommendations

- A. Approve the funding plan based on the cost update that increases the project total to \$314.3 million.
- B. Approve the use of \$30,313,000 of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds and \$31,212,000 in additional State Transportation Improvement Program funds as included in the proposed funding plan.
- C. Authorize staff to process any necessary amendments and agreements to the State Transportation Improvement Program and the Regional Transportation Improvement Program to facilitate the above actions.

15. (Continued)

- D. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute Amendment No. 1, in an amount not to exceed \$22,934,000, to Cooperative Agreement C-5-2591 with the California Department of Transportation to support the new funding plan.

16. Amendment to Agreement for Additional Construction Support Services for the Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Gateway Project

Charles Guess/Stanley G. Phernambucq

Overview

On August 12, 2002, the Board of Directors approved an agreement with URS Corporation, in the amount of \$12,000,000, to provide design and construction support services for the Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Gateway Project. URS Corporation was retained in accordance with the Orange County Transportation Authority's procurement procedures for architectural and engineering services.

Recommendations

- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute Amendment No. 7 to Agreement C-2-0710 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and URS Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$1,508,000, for additional construction support services.
- B. Amend the Orange County Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2005-06 Budget, expense account 0010-7519, in the amount of \$2,000,000.

17. Process for City-initiated Rapid Transit and Related Projects

Jose Martinez/Paul C. Taylor

Overview

The recently adopted Five-Year Program allocated \$30 million in existing Measure M funds to study ways to increase transit access to Metrolink through partnerships with cities. Staff has developed a four-step process for communities to develop their own transit vision for the future by creating transit extensions that branch from Metrolink stations. The process begins with grants to interested cities to assess their needs for city initiated rapid transit projects. This investment is consistent with the Measure M transit program.

Recommendations

- A. Approve a four-step process for city-initiated rapid transit and related projects.
- B. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute Memorandums of Understanding by and between the Orange County Transportation Authority Metrolink station cities and other cities as partners allocating \$100,000 per city for communities to develop their own transit vision for the future.
- C. Direct staff to return with a progress report on this initial needs assessment by December 31, 2006.
- D. Direct staff to return at a later time with recommended guidance for Step Two project planning and/or alternatives analysis based on the criteria in this staff report.

Orange County Transit District Regular Calendar Matters

18. Agreement for Provision of ACCESS, Contracted Fixed Route, Stationlink and Express Bus Service

Erin Rogers/William L. Foster

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority currently has an agreement with Laidlaw Transit Services, Inc., for the management and operation of ACCESS and contracted fixed route service. This agreement expires on June 30, 2006. A competitive procurement has been conducted and offers were received in accordance with the Orange County Transportation Authority's procurement procedures for professional and technical services. Board approval is requested to execute an agreement.

Committee Recommendation

Refer this item to the Board for discussion and action on staff's recommendation.

Other Matters

19. Chief Executive Officer's Report

20. Directors' Reports

21. Public Comments

At this time, members of the public may address the Board of Directors regarding any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Directors, but no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, unless different time limits are set by the Chairman subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

22. Closed Session

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c).

23. Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the OCTA/OCTD/OCLTA/OCSAFE/OCSAAV Board will be held at **9:00 a.m. on March 13, 2006**, at OCTA Headquarters at 600 South Main Street, First Floor - Room 154, Orange, California.