

## **Meeting of June 27, 2016**

### **June Employees of the Month Honored**

Resolutions of Appreciation were presented to the June Employees of the month: Coach Operator Gregory Pulliam, Maintenance employee Steve Winterbottom and Administrative employee Jim Khan.

### **Placentia Metrolink Commuter Rail Station Moves Forward**

Plans to build a Metrolink station in Placentia took a step forward when the board approved a revised funding plan and a cooperative agreement with the city.

OCTA has been working in collaboration with the city on the station, which is expected to cost \$34.8 million. Of the total project budget, \$29.4 million will come from OCTA and \$5.4 million is being contributed by the city of Placentia. Of the city's contribution, the cooperative agreement will require \$4.4 million be placed in an OCTA account prior to the start of construction.

OCTA will serve as the lead agency in the design and construction of the station. The board's action also authorized the CEO to negotiate the cooperative agreement with the city related to roles and responsibilities.

### **ARC Planning Rolls into Harbor Boulevard Transit Study with OCTA Lead**

The board voted to ask the city of Anaheim to conclude its planning efforts on the Anaheim Rapid Connection project and have OCTA serve as the lead agency for any potential future phases of the proposed transit connection between ARTIC and the Anaheim Resort area.

The work that has been done to date on the project will be incorporated into the Central Harbor Boulevard Corridor Transit Study. This transit study will help determine the best options for alleviating congestion and increasing public transportation usage throughout this area, whether it be bus, streetcar, pedestrian and bicycle improvements, or other improvements.

The transit study will be updated to include the best options for connecting ARTIC to the Anaheim Resort Area and it is expected to be completed in spring 2017.