



**Citizens Advisory Committee  
July 16, 2013**

*1:00 – 3:00 p.m.*

*600 South Main Street, Orange, California, 92863  
Conference Room 103*

**Agenda**

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| <b>1. Chairman's Remarks</b>  | Patrick Pepper, <i>Chair, CAC</i>   |
| <b>2. CEO Welcome</b>   | Darrell Johnson, <i>OCTA Chief Executive Officer</i>  |
| <b>3. 2013-14 OCTA Budget</b> <i>(15 min) Presentation</i>  | Andy Oftelie, <i>Executive Director, Finance &amp; Administration</i>   |
| <b>4. Freeway Program Update</b><br><i>(15 min) Presentation</i>  | Rose Casey, <i>Director of Highway Programs, Capital Projects</i>   |
| <b>5. 2013 Short Range Transit Plan</b><br><i>(15 min) Presentation</i>   | Gary Hewitt, <i>Manager, Transit Planning &amp; Non-Motorized Transportation</i>  |
| <b>6. Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)</b><br><i>(30 min) Discussion</i>   | Greg Nord, <i>Senior Transportation Analyst, Planning</i>   |
| <b>7. Update Reports</b> <i>(5 minutes each)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Government Affairs</li><li>• Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee</li><li>• Marketing</li><li>• Staff Liaison</li></ul> | Lance Larson, <i>Exec. Director, Government Rel.</i><br>Roy Shahbazian, <i>Chair, Bike/Ped Subcommittee</i><br>Stella Lin, <i>Marketing Manager</i><br>Alice Rogan, <i>Strategic Communications Mgr</i> |
| <b>8. Committee Member Comments</b>   |   |
| <b>9. Public Comments</b>   |   |
| <b>10. Adjournment / Next Meeting:</b><br>October 15, 2013  |   |

**Agenda Descriptions/Public Comments on Agenda Items**

The Agenda descriptions are intended to give notice to members of the public of a general summary of items of business to be transacted or discussed. Members from the public wishing to address the Committee 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.

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**Citizens Advisory Committee  
Meeting Notes  
April 16, 2013  
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
At The Orange County Transportation Authority  
600 S. Main Street, Orange, Calif.  
Conference Room 103/104**

**Members Present**

Paul Adams, <i>Fountain Valley Resident</i>	Derek McGregor, <i>Trabuco Canyon Advisory Committee</i>
Ralph Bauer, <i>Council on Aging &amp; City of Hunt. Bch</i>	Michael McNally, <i>UC Irvine</i>
Michael Brandman, <i>Building Industry Association</i>	David Mootchnick, <i>So. Cal. Commuters Forum</i>
Terry Coakley, <i>Fountain Valley Resident</i>	Dan Oregel, <i>Santa Ana Resident</i>
Doug Davert, <i>Tustin Resident</i>	Lyle Overby, <i>Building Industry Association</i>
Carla DiCandia, <i>Mission Hospital</i>	Pat Pepper, <i>Anaheim Hills Citizen Coalition</i>
John Frankel, <i>Rancho Santa Margarita Architectural Review</i>	Jane Reifer, <i>Transit Advocates of Orange County</i>
Tom Garner, <i>Retired Lieutenant, Laguna Hills</i>	Roy Shahbazian, <i>Transit Advocates of Orange Co.</i>
Dan Kalmick, <i>Huntington Beach Resident</i>	Kara Watson, <i>Transit Advocates of Orange Co</i>
Leonard Lahtinen, <i>North O.C. Community College District</i>	Craig Young, <i>Yorba Linda Resident</i>
James Leach, <i>OC Taxpayers Association</i>	

**Members Absent**

Eric Altman, <i>La Habra Resident</i>	Larry Larson, <i>Anaheim Hills Resident</i>
Phil Bacerra, <i>Santa Ana Resident</i>	Barbara Mason, <i>Boeing</i>
Hamid Bahadori, <i>Automobile Club of So. CA</i>	Linda Rogers, <i>League of Women Voters</i>
Vince Buck, <i>Cal State Fullerton</i>	Greg Smith, <i>Irvine Resident</i>
Dr. David Chapel, <i>O.C. School Boards Assoc.</i>	Jeff Thompson, <i>Tustin Planning Commission</i>
Dolores Gonzales-Hayes, <i>Latino Health Access</i>	Jacqueline Tran, <i>Santa Ana Resident</i>

**1. Chairman's Remarks**

Chairman Pat Pepper called the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone. He introduced new CAC member Craig Young from the City of Yorba Linda.

**2. Election of Chair & Vice Chair**

Chairman Pat Pepper took nominations from the floor for the Chairman position. Leonard Lahtinen and Pat Pepper were nominated for CAC Chairman. Alice Rogan let the members know that Leonard Lahtinen's term is expiring and the Board

Member who inherited the appointment has decided to appoint someone else. Chair Pat Pepper asked Leonard Lahtinen how he feels about the situation. Leonard Lahtinen said he did not expect to be nominated, but respects the nomination. He does have a prospect for reappointing him to the CAC, but can't guarantee this will happen.

The CAC voted for Chairman and Pat Pepper won the position.

The CAC voted for Vice-Chairman and Leonard Lahtinen won the position.

### **3. Long Range Transportation Plan**

Greg Nord, Project Manager for the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), reported on the purpose of the LRTP, the development approach, and the current status.

Kelley Jimenez reported on outreach strategies for the LRTP. The outreach for the LRTP is in two phases. The first phase is pre-draft and the second phase is the post draft. They will gather public input throughout both phases and seeking support of the draft plan. She asked for the CAC's input on four designs for the LRTP cover.

Chairman Pat Pepper wanted to know how different this was than what was done four years ago. The 2016 LRTP is just an update. Instead of creating an entirely new look, why not use the same design and change the cover to read "2016 Long Range Transportation Plan Update" and highlight changes from the previous Plan.

Michael Brandman agreed with Chairman Pepper and suggested to stay away from the word "Green" – it is overused. He suggested going with "Sustainability." Other members thought the emphasis should be on "Mobility."

Carla DiCandia and Michael McNally also liked the previous LRTP cover. David Mootchnick thought the previous cover seemed too cartoonish for a serious document. Other members thought keeping the cover the same might make the report look like a rehash of something that has already been done; something new may promote interest.

The CAC voted on four different covers for the LRTP and the majority liked the idea of using the same cover as the last LRTP with a few added tweaks and using a title such as "Sustainable Transportation Plan for Orange County."

Jane Reifer asked if in this edition of the LRTP they will be able to have something about travel time for transit users. There are always travel delays on the streets, roads and highways. She would like to start early and get the data entered on this.

Jane Reifer asked how the Transit System Study would be integrated with the LRTP. The Transit Study was never integrated with the LRTP because the Transit Study was

never approved. Greg Nord said the last LRTP was developed before the Transit System Study (TSS); however it included some of the initial (TSS) thoughts. Greg Nord said there is also a Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) being developed and elements of the SRTP will be included in the LRTP.

Leonard Lahtinen asked if the Pacific Electric Right of Way (PE ROW) was going to be included into the 2016 LRTP. Greg Nord said at this time there are no specific plans for including the PE ROW information. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) did a study where they looked at some alternatives along the PE ROW and these alternatives may be addressed. The PE ROW is also being looked at in the Bikeway Corridors Study. Leonard Lahtinen said the PE ROW seems to continually get pushed aside and he would really like to see something done with this land. Charlie Larwood, Transportation Planning Manager, said many of the cities in the first and second district Bikeway Study are very interested in the PE ROW. They will be bringing the use of the PE ROW as a bikeway corridor forward for a policy decision soon. The reason they have not gone forward is currently the focus for the PE ROW is as a transit way for the cities of Santa Ana, Anaheim, and Garden Grove.

Carla DiCandia said she believes the Bikeway Study is in the process of identifying key policy issues and they have hit a snag. There is currently a policy in place at the OCTA level that conflicts with the guidelines for the Bikeway. Greg Nord said the guidelines have been revised for the Master Plan of Arterial Highways (MPAH) allowing more flexibility for the cities to start adding bike lanes. Carla DiCandia asked if the penalty has been removed. Greg Nord said there was no real penalty - the issue is if the city's general plan is not consistent with the MPAH, they could prove to be ineligible for M2 funds, but there is a process in place for amending the MPAH. There are tools in place where it can be accessed and OCTA has made it more flexible in the last year.

#### **4. M2020 Review**

Tami Warren, Manager of the M2 Program Management Office, presented the M2020 Plan approved by the OCTA Board in September 2012 and gave an overview of the M2 Program Management Office.

Leonard Lahtinen asked for information on the Fixed Guideways extension. Tami Warren said there are two Fixed Guideways proposed: one in Santa Ana and Garden Grove using the PE ROW and the second one is in Anaheim. Leonard Lahtinen asked if these are Street Car or Light Rail. Tami Warren said they are looking at Street Car.

Leonard Lahtinen said he did not see anything about buses in the Transit Plan. Tami Warren said M2 does not specifically fund bus transit; there are things like fare stabilization for seniors and bus stop improvements, but nothing for fixed route.

Paul Adams said he heard there will be a possible fare increase for Metrolink this summer. Will that affect the frequency of the train? Tami Warren said whenever there is a fare increase, there is an impact to ridership in the short term. Metrolink is a very successful rail alternative and it is doing very well. She is not familiar with plans for a fare increase.

## 5. Marketing Update

- Bravo Roll-Out: Stella Lin, Manager of Marketing, said in two months OCTA will launch a unique service called Bravo. She gave an overview of how they will market and promote the new service.

David Mootchnick asked how long the Bravo route was. Stella said the route was between the Fullerton Transportation Center and MacArthur on Harbor Blvd.

Tom Garner suggested giving something like a free fare for an incentive on the new route.

Paul Adams suggested marketing the Fountain Valley area because the Bravo route connects to the hospital in Fountain Valley.

Jane Reifer asked if the route connected to Disneyland. Stella Lin said yes.

Pat Pepper asked if the route could be made "Pass Only." Stella Lin said this has been considered in the past, but it would inconvenience too many people.

David Mootchnick asked how much faster would the Bravo route be. Stella Lin said approximately 10 to 15 minutes faster for the entire route.

David Mootchnick asked if this was Bus Rapid Transit (BRT). Stella Lin said it was modeled after BRT, but it wasn't BRT. BRT has more features.

- Metrolink/Angels Express: Stella Lin gave an overview of the Angels Express. This is the third year of providing service for 48 weekday Angel home baseball games.

Dan Kalmick asked if there has been any thought given to Express Bus service to Angel Stadium. Stella Lin said she will share this with bus operations.

Leonard Lahtinen asked if the designated Angels train only comes from South County or the Inland Empire. Stella Lin said they also come from Los Angeles.

- Bike to Work Month: Wes Parcel, Marketing Department, gave an overview of some of the Bike Programs at OCTA.

## 6. Non-Motorized Metrolink Access Strategy

Carolyn Mamaradlo, Associate Transportation Analyst, Planning Department, gave an overview of the Non-Motorized Metrolink Access Strategy.

Michelle Lieberman, RBF Consulting gave an overview of the Planning Process.

Anthony Hernandez, RBF Consulting reported on the strategy and draft recommendations.

Jane Reifer asked if they were going to look for other solutions for persons with disabilities who use wheelchairs in the pedestrian aspect of the plan. Michelle Lieberman said that a comprehensive ADA assessment was not included in this project, as they are better-suited to be done at the local level. Broad spectrum barriers to pedestrian access were the focus.

Carla DiCandia asked if staff got a chance to compare the surveys done at the event compared to the surveys done at station. Michelle Lieberman said that information was not available. At the community events, they did a more informal version and had time to talk to people so they got a little more in-depth feedback.

## 7. Reports

Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee: Roy Shahbazian gave a report on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Subcommittee's activities. He said the Subcommittee has been working to identify Pedestrian Priorities and he listed the highest priorities:

- 1.Design – Implement the strength of the pedestrian policies in the MPAH
- 2.Funding – Support and seek opportunities to increase pedestrian funding
- 3.Implementation – Identify critical pedestrian gap closures as well as high intensity areas and conflict areas.
- 4.Marketing and Education – Share best practices and policies with the public, designers, and the cities.

Government Affairs: There was no report.

ACCESS Update: Dana Wiemiller, Manager of Community Transit Services, gave an update on the ACCESS Service. She reported a new contract had been awarded. On March 25 the OCTA Board awarded a new ACCESS contract to MV Transportation.

Terry Coakley asked if OCTA is comfortable the new employees know what they are doing. Dana Wiemiller said yes, other than the management staff of MV, OCTA's intention is to hire the existing Veolia personnel.

Tom Garner asked if the vehicles will look the same. Dana Wiemiller said yes, the vehicles are owned by OCTA. Possibly the supplemental contractors will not look the same.

Tom Garner asked who picks the new employees. Dana Wiemiller said MV does.

A committee member said he understands there was a substantial savings with the new company. Dana Wiemiller said yes there is. The difference between the MV and Viola contract for the first four years of the contract was \$18 million.

Jane Reifer asked about a possible formation of a focus group to help with the transition. Dana Wiemiller said OCTA is working with the Special Needs in Transit Advisory Committee to form a Subcommittee to work with the transition.

Staff Liaison: Alice Rogan said they are in the middle of a new recruitment for the CAC and new Board members have indicated they will be making changes. For those who are leaving she wanted to wish them well and thanked them for their service.

**8. Committee Member Comments**

There were no Committee Member comments

**9. Public Comments**

There were no comments from the public.

**10. Adjournment – Next Meeting July 16, 2013**

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m. The next meeting will be at the OCTA offices on July 16, 2013 at 1:00 p.m.

**Citizens Advisory Committee  
Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Attendance Record**

● = Present

⊙ = Absent

R = Resigned

Member	7/17/12	10/16/12	1/15/13	4/16/13
	Adams, Paul	●	●	●
Altman, Eric	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙
Bahadori, Hamid	●	●	●	⊙
Bauer, Ralph	⊙	●	⊙	●
Bacerra, Phil	●	●	●	⊙
Brandman, Michael	●	●	●	●
Buck, Vince	⊙	●	●	⊙
Chapel, David	●	●	⊙	⊙
Coakley, Terry	●	●	⊙	●
Davert, Doug	●	●	●	●
DiCandia, Carla	●	⊙	⊙	●
Frankel, John	●	⊙	●	●
Garner, Tom	●	●	●	●
Gonzales-Hayes, Dolores	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙
Kalmick, Dan	●	●	●	●
Lahtinen, Leonard	●	●	●	●
Larsen, Larry	n/a	●	⊙	⊙
Leach, James	⊙	⊙	⊙	●
Mason, Barbara	●	●	●	⊙
McGregor, Derek	⊙	●	●	●
McNally, Michael	●	●	●	●
Mootchnick, David	●	●	⊙	●
Murray, Al	●	●	R	R
Oregel, Dan	●	⊙	●	●
Overby, Lyle	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙
Pepper, Pat	●	●	●	●
Reifer, Jane	●	⊙	⊙	●
Rogers, Linda	●	⊙	⊙	R
Shahbazian, Roy	●	●	●	●
Smith, Greg	●	⊙	⊙	⊙
Thompson, Jeff	⊙	●	●	⊙
Tran, Jacqueline	⊙	⊙	⊙	⊙
Watson, Kara	●	●	⊙	●
Craig Young	n/a	n/a	n/a	●