

# **AGENDA**

# LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors Special Meeting

#### **Board Members**

Gregg Hart, SBCAG, Chairman
Jewel Edson, NCTD, Vice Chair
Mary Lou Echternach, Metro, Alternate
Caylin Frank, SDMTS
Bryan MacDonald, VCTC
Joe Mosca, SANDAG
Joe Muller, OCTA
Al Murray, OCTA
Dana Reed, RCTC
Fred Strong, SLOCOG
Jess Talamantes, Metro
Art Brown, SCAG, Ex-Officio
Jeanne Cantu, Amtrak, Ex-Officio
LaDonna DiCamillo, CHSRA, Ex-Officio
Kyle Gradinger, Caltrans, Ex-Officio

Orange County Transportation Authority
Board Room
550 South Main Street
Orange, California
Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

#### **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.

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On September 16, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law AB 361 authorizing a local legislative body to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and make public meetings accessible telephonically or electronically to all members of the public due to the state and local State of Emergency resulting from the threat of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).



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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 minutes. Anyone causing disruption can be removed from the meeting at the discretion of the Chair.

# **Written Comment**

Written public comments may also be submitted by emailing them to <a href="lossanclerk@octa.net">lossanclerk@octa.net</a>, and must be sent 90 minutes prior to the start time of the meeting. If you wish to comment on a specific agenda item, please identify the Item number in your email. All public comments that are timely received will be part of the public record and distributed to the Board. Public comments will be made available to the public upon request.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Murray

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# **Special Calendar**

There are no Special Calendar Matters.

# **Consent Calendar (Item 1)**

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

1. Ralph M. Brown Act Board of Directors Resolution for Teleconference Meetings Jason Jewell

#### Overview

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency holds regular meetings to effect business and act on measures related to its programs, projects, and services. In order to comply with new provisions related to the Ralph M. Brown Act, a resolution must be adopted.

#### Recommendation

Adopt Board of Directors Resolution 2022-L009.

# Regular Calendar

There are no Regular Calendar Matters.

#### **Discussion Items**

- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Managing Director's Report
- 4. Board Members' Report
- 5. Closed Session

There is no Closed Session scheduled.

#### 6. Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board will be held at **10:00 a.m. on TUESDAY**, **June 21**, **2022**, at the Orange County Transportation Authority Headquarters, Board Room, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.



## June 2, 2022

**To:** Members of the Board of Directors

From: Jason Jewell, Interim Managing Director

Subject: Ralph M. Brown Act Board of Directors Resolution for

Teleconference Meetings

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#### Recommendation

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#### Discussion

AB 361 (Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021) was approved by the Legislature and signed by Governor Newsom on September 16, 2021. This legislation makes changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act to allow local legislative bodies to meet by teleconference during states of emergency. Under this legislation, if a legislative body wishes to conduct meetings virtually, it must make certain findings by resolution to meet by teleconference so long as there is a declared state of emergency. Board of Directors (Board) Resolution 2022-L009 (Attachment A), if adopted, would allow the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board and its committees to meet by teleconference for 30 days upon approval of this item.

#### Summary

A recommendation is made to adopt a resolution to allow the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors and its committees to meet via teleconference.

# Ralph M. Brown Act Board of Directors Resolution for *Page 2* Teleconference Meetings

# Attachment

A. Resolution No. 2022-L009

Prepared by:

Allison Cheshire

LOSSAN Clerk of the Board

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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-L009**

A RESOLUTION OF THE LOS ANGELES – SAN DIEGO – SAN LUIS OBISPO RAIL CORRIDOR AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS FINDING THAT, DUE TO THE PROCLAIMED STATE OF EMERGENCY ARISING FROM THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19), MEETING IN PERSON PRESENTS IMMINENT RISKS TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ATTENDEES, AND THE EMERGENCY CONTINUES TO DIRECTLY IMPACT THE ABILITY OF THE MEMBERS TO MEET SAFELY IN PERSON.

**WHEREAS**, the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency's ("Agency") Board of Directors holds regular and special public meetings pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act (the "Brown Act"), Government Code section 54950, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, as amended by AB 361 (Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021), permits the Agency to use teleconferencing for meetings of the Board of Directors without complying with specified teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Brown Act when the Agency's Board of Directors holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

**WHEREAS**, to continue to hold teleconferencing meetings during the proclaimed state of emergency, the Brown Act requires the Agency's Board of Directors to make findings every thirty (30) days, by at least a majority vote, that the Board of Directors has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and determines that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person.

- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by a least a majority vote of the Agency's Board of Directors, pursuant to Government Code section 54953, the Agency does hereby find and determine as follows:
- **Section 1**. The above findings and recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein in full by this reference.
- **Section 2**. Governor Gavin Newsom has proclaimed a state of emergency due to the global pandemic caused by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), which remains active as of the adoption of this Resolution.
- **Section 3**. The Agency's Board of Directors must continue to hold regular and special meetings, pursuant to the Brown Act, during the proclaimed state of emergency.

**Section 4**. As a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

**Section 5**. The Agency's Board of Directors has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and determines that it continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person.

**Section 6**. This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption. PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022. GREGG HART, CHAIRMAN LOS ANGELES - SAN DIEGO -SAN LUIS OBISPO RAIL CORRIDOR AGENCY APPROVED AS TO FORM: JAMES M. DONICH GENERAL COUNSEL ATTEST: I, Allison Cheshire, Clerk of the Board, of the Directors of the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2022-L007, by the following votes: AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ALLISON CHESHIRE

CLERK OF THE BOARD