



Call to Order

The February 20, 2024, regular meeting of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency was called to order by Chair Edson at 1:15 p.m. at the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) Headquarters, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California.

Roll Call

The Clerk of the Board conducted an attendance roll call and announced a quorum present as follows:

Directors Present: Fred Jung, OCTA, Vice Chair
Fernando Dutra, Metro
Jewel Edson, NCTD
Katrina Foley, OCTA
Dana Reed, RCTC
Fred Strong, SLOCOG
Art Brown, SCAG, Ex-Officio
Jeanne Cantu, Amtrak, Ex-Officio

Via Teleconference: Bryan MacDonald, VCTC, Chair
Caylin Frank, SDMTS
Jess Talamantes, Metro
Das Williams, SBCAG
Kyle Gradinger, Caltrans, Ex-Officio

Directors Absent: LaDonna DiCamillo, CHSRA, Ex-Officio

Staff Present: Jason Jewell, Managing Director
Allison Cheshire, LOSSAN Clerk of the Board
Gina Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board
James Donich, General Counsel
LOSSAN Staff

Special Calendar

1. Election of Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors Chair

A motion was made by Chair Edson, seconded by Director Foley, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to elect Bryan MacDonald as the 2024 Chair of the LOSSAN Agency Board of Directors.



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2. Election of Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors Vice Chair

A motion was made by Chair Edson, seconded by Director Foley, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to elect Fred Jung as the 2024 Vice Chair of the LOSSAN Agency Board of Directors.

3. Selection of Executive Committee Members for Calendar Year 2024

A motion was made by Director Reed, seconded by Director Talamantes, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to select Fernando Dutra, along with the Chair, Vice Chair, and immediate past Chair of the Board of Directors, to serve on the Executive Committee for Calendar Year 2024.

Consent Calendar (Items 4 through 8)

4. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Director Strong, seconded by Director Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2023, Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors' meeting.

5. Fiscal Year 2022-23 Annual Financial Statement Audit

A motion was made by Director Strong, seconded by Director Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to receive and file the fiscal year 2022-23 Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency audited annual financial statements and accompanying independent auditor's report.

6. Agreement for Independent Annual Financial Auditing Services

A motion was made by Director Strong, seconded by Director Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to:

- A. Approve the selection of Eide Bailly LLP as the firm to provide independent annual financial auditing services.
- B. Authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute Agreement No. L-3-0006 between the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and Eide Bailly LLP, in the amount of \$69,457, to provide independent annual financial auditing services for a three-year initial term with one, two-year option term.



7. Funding Agreement for the Environmental Phase of the Camarillo Station Pedestrian Underpass Project

A motion was made by Director Strong, seconded by Director Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute an agreement with the City of Camarillo not to exceed \$1.9 million for the use of Proposition 1B funds for the Camarillo Station Pedestrian Underpass Project.

8. Amendment to Reimbursement Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad for Preliminary Engineering Services for the Leesdale Siding Extension Project

A motion was made by Director Strong, seconded by Director Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 1 to Reimbursement Agreement No. L-3-0009 between the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and Union Pacific Railroad, in the amount of \$101,000, for a period of up to three years, to prepare all necessary and related signal and communication designs for the Leesdale Siding Extension project.

Regular Calendar

9. Approval of the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency 2024 Work Plan

Roger Lopez, Administrative Officer, provided a report in this item.

A motion was made by Director Strong, seconded by Director Dutra, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to Approve the Los Angeles – San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency 2024 Work Plan

10. Final Draft Business Plan for Fiscal Years 2024-25 and 2025-26

Jason Jewell, Managing Director, provided a report on this item.

A motion was made by Director Dutra, seconded by Director Strong, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 10-0, to direct staff to incorporate comments received from the Board of Directors into the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency's annual business plan for fiscal years 2024-25 and 2025-26 and return to the Board of Directors on March 18, 2024, for final approval.



Discussion Items

11. Corridor Identification and Development Program

Kyle Gradinger, Assistant Deputy Director of Rail Transportation, Caltrans, provided a presentation on this item.

A discussion ensued among the Members and staff regarding the following:

- Identifying resiliency and restoration projects
- Identifying shovel ready and long-term planning projects

No action was taken on this item.

12. Update on San Clemente Track Closure

Jason Lee, Manager, Rail Capital Programs, OCTA, provided a report on this item.

A discussion ensued among the Members and staff regarding the following:

- Coastal Rail Resiliency study underway by OCTA
- Challenges of obtaining permits to work in the coastal rail area

No action was taken on this item.

13. Public Comments

There were no public comments received.

14. Managing Director's Report

Jason Jewell, Managing Director, reported on the following:

- Ridership update
- SB 1098 (Blakespear) – Southern California Rail Revitalization Act

15. Board Members' Report

Director Edson reported \$53.9 million grant was awarded from the US Department of Transportation's Infrastructure for Rebuilding America program to replace the 108-year old San Dieguito River Railway Bridge in Del Mar which will improve the LOSSAN rail corridor, enhancing safety and accessibility for commuters, and support various projects aimed at modernizing infrastructure and promoting sustainable transportation along the coastal rail corridor.



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16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held:

1:15 p.m. on Monday, March 18, 2024

OCTA Headquarters
550 South Main Street
Orange, California