



Item #: E1

**Board of Directors  
Minutes  
Wednesday, October 2, 2024**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Navarro called the regular meeting of the Omnitrans Board of Directors to order at 8:00 AM., Wednesday, October 2, 2024, at the Omnitrans Facility located at 1700 W. 5th Street, San Bernardino, California.

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call

**Board Members Present**

Eunice Ulloa – City of Chino  
Frank Navarro – City of Colton, Chair  
John Roberts – City of Fontana  
Doug Wilson – City of Grand Terrace, Alternate  
Penny Lilburn – City of Highland  
Ron Dailey – City of Loma Linda  
John Dutrey – City of Montclair  
Alan Wapner – City of Ontario, Vice Chair  
Kristine Scott – City of Rancho Cucamonga  
Denise Davis – City of Redlands  
Rafael Trujillo – City of Rialto  
Helen Tran – City of San Bernardino  
Bill Velto – City of Upland  
Jesse Armendarez – County of San Bernardino  
Dawn Rowe – County of San Bernardino  
Curt Hagman – County of San Bernardino  
Joe Baca Jr. – County of San Bernardino

**Board Members Not Present**

Brian Johsz – City of Chino Hills  
Bobby Duncan – City of Yucaipa

**Omnitrans Administrative Staff Present**

Erin Rogers – CEO/General Manager

Jeremiah Bryant – Chief Strategy and Planning Officer  
Dietter Aragon – Director of Operations  
Christine Glass – Director of Human Resources  
Maurice Mansion – Director of Finance  
Micah May – Director of Information Technology  
Nicole Ramos – Director of Marketing and Communications  
Connie Raya – Director of Maintenance  
Ana Arellano – Senior Administrative Assistant  
Rick Barone – Materials Manager  
Omar Bryant – Maintenance Manager  
Vickie Chesney – Technical Services Manager  
Regina Gonzales – Executive Asst./Deputy Clerk of Board  
Weber Horng – Web Developer  
Janice Kuhn – Marketing Specialist  
Arianna Maldonado – Mobility Services Manager  
Michelle Morgan – Marketing & Communications Manager  
Michael Plunkett – Maintenance Manager  
Vicky Reed – Purchased Transportation Administrator  
Samuel Wong – Budget & Grants Manager  
Robert Walker – Assistant Transportation Manager  
Doua Yang – Systems Engineer

**Legal Counsel**

Steve DeBaun

**B. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

1. Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, November 06, 2024  
8:00 AM at Omnitrans Metro Facility Board Room

Chair Navarro welcomed Alternate Member Doug Wilson from the City of Grand Terrace.

**C. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

A public comment was received via email from Kevin Dedicatoria, transit advocate/public transit user regarding Item F3, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)/Express Bus Corridors and City Meetings Update. He expressed support for the BRT/Express Corridors, particularly San Bernardino Avenue and Foothill Corridor. The Clerk of the Board read the comment and it was placed into the record.

#### **D. POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES**

There were no Conflict of Interest Issues.

1. Disclosure – October 2, 2024

#### **E. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Board of Directors Minutes - September 4, 2024
2. Administrative & Finance Committee - August 15, 2024 (A&F 9/12/2024)
3. Executive Committee Minutes - June 7, 2024 (EXE 9/6/2024)
4. Internal Audit FY2024 Results and Planned FY2025 Engagements (A&F 9/12/2024)
5. Purchase Order - MNT24-44, Bus Passenger Seat Replacement (A&F 9/12/2024)

M/S (John Dutrey/Rafael Trujillo) that approved the Consent Calendar.

**AYES:** 15; Eunice Ulloa, Frank J. Navarro, John Roberts, Penny Lilburn, Ron Dailey, John Dutrey, Alan Wapner, Kristine Scott, Denise Davis, Rafael Trujillo, Helen Tran, Bill Velto, Dawn Rowe, Joe Baca Jr., Doug Wilson

**NOES:** 0;

#### **F. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Board Resolution No. 353-2024 - Amend Conflict of Interest Code

Executive Assistant/Deputy Clerk of the Board, Regina Gonzales provided a brief background on this item as detailed in the staff report.

M/S (Joe Baca Jr./Helen Tran) that adopted Resolution No. 353-2024, amending the Conflict of Interest Code of Omnitrans.

**AYES:** 15; Eunice Ulloa, Frank J. Navarro, John Roberts, Penny Lilburn, Ron Dailey, John Dutrey, Alan Wapner, Kristine Scott, Denise Davis, Rafael Trujillo, Helen Tran, Bill Velto, Dawn Rowe, Joe Baca Jr., Doug Wilson

**NOES:** 0;

2. Amend Fiscal Year 2025 Budget (A&F 9/12/2024)

Members Armendarez and Hagman arrived during the presentation on Item F2.

Director of Finance, Maurice Mansion provided a brief background on this item as detailed in the staff report.

M/S (John Dutrey/Kristine Scott) that approved the following amendments to the Fiscal Year 2025 (FY2025) Budget:

Reduce Local Transportation Fund (LTF) funding from \$42,677,818 to \$42,425,684 and increase State Transit Assistance Fund (STAF) funding from \$2,550,000 to \$2,802,134 with a net zero impact on the approved Operating Budget.

Add STAF funding of \$67,000 for marketing projects including the ONTConnect increasing the approved Operating Budget to \$111,995,275.

Increase Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339(c) Low or No Emission Grant Program funding by \$8,447,217 and increase FTA Transit Infrastructure Grant-Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending (TIG-CPF/CDS) by \$1,850,000 increasing the approved Capital Budget by \$10,297,217.

**AYES:** 17; Eunice Ulloa, Frank J. Navarro, John Roberts, Doug Wilson, Penny Lilburn, Ron Dailey, John Dutrey, Alan Wapner, Kristine Scott, Denise Davis, Rafael Trujillo, Helen Tran, Bill Velto, Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca Jr.

**NOES:** 0;

3. Bus Rapid Transit/Express Bus Corridors and City Meetings Update (EXE 9/6/2024)

Chief Strategy & Planning Officer, Jeremiah Bryant provided a brief background on this item as detailed in the staff report.

Vice Chair Wapner asked if there are any considerations to provide light rail service in the future. Mr. Bryant responded that light rail has been included in future service planning discussions.

Member Trujillo thanked staff for meeting with the cities to discuss potential BRT corridor options and funding within the region.

The Board received and filed this item.

#### 4. Zero-Emission Bus Strategy Update (EXE 9/6/2024)

Chief Strategy & Planning Officer, Jeremiah Bryant provided a brief background on this item as detailed in the staff report.

Member Hagman thanked staff for the work on this item and agreed with the conservative approach with regards to testing the different technologies.

Chair Navarro referred to the demand on the electric grid and asked if staff is staying in contact with Southern California Edison (SCE). Mr. Bryant affirmed that Omnitrans is working closely with SCE.

The Board received and filed this item.

#### 5. CEO/General Manager's Report

The CEO provided the CEO/General Manager's Report.

Member Tran left the meeting before Closed Session.

### **G. BOARD BUSINESS**

#### **Closed Session**

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 8:36 AM.

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator: Christine Glass Concerning Labor Negotiations with Teamsters Local #166, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator: Christine Glass Concerning Labor Negotiations with Amalgamated Transit Union Local No. 1704 Regarding the Coach Operator Unit Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

#### **Open Session**

The Board reconvened at 8:44 AM.

Legal Counsel stated that there was no reportable action.

1. Consideration and Possible Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Omnitrans and Teamsters Local #166, Maintenance and Administrative/Support, Effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027

M/S (Curt Hagman/Joe Baca Jr.) that approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Omnitrans and Teamsters Local #166, Maintenance and Administrative Support, Effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027

**AYE:** 16; Eunice Ulloa, Frank J. Navarro, John Roberts, Penny Lilburn, Ron Dailey, John Dutrey, Alan Wapner, Kristine Scott, Denise Davis, Rafael Trujillo, Bill Velto, Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca Jr., Doug Wilson

**NOE:** 0; **ABSTAIN:** 0;

## H. REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no remarks or announcements.

## I. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 8:45 AM. The next meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2024 at 8:00 AM, with the location posted on the Omnitrans website and at Omnitrans' San Bernardino Metro Facility.

Prepared by:



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Araceli Barajas, Sr. Executive Assistant to  
CEO/Clerk of the Board