



## ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

### ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, April 11, 2007

**New Meeting Location**  
16401 Paramount Boulevard  
Paramount, California  
562.663.6850

Buffet Dinner – 6:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

#### A G E N D A

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call and Introduction of Attendees
4. Public Comments
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2007
6. Report on alternate location for future Authority Board meetings
7. Appointment of Authority Treasurer and Auditor
8. Formation of Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Budget Committee
9. Report on meetings with potential private sector investors and federal Department of Transportation officials
10. Approval of Warrant Register
11. Communication Items to the Board
12. Communication Items from the Board
13. Adjournment – Next meeting May 9, 2007

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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER**

City of Bellflower Mayor and Board Chair Scott Larsen called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

City of Paramount Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer led the assembly in the salute to the flag.

**INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES**

Board Members Present:

Scott A. Larsen – Authority Chair, Councilmember, City of Bellflower  
Troy Edgar – Authority Vice Chair, Councilmember, City of Los Alamitos  
Paul Bowlen – Mayor, City of Cerritos  
Frank Gurule – Mayor, City of Cudahy  
Kirk Cartozian – Councilmember, City of Downey  
Dean Grose – Councilmember, City of Los Alamitos  
Thomas Martin – Mayor, City of Maywood  
Daryl Hofmeyer – Mayor, City of Paramount  
Marsha McLean – Mayor, City of Santa Clarita  
Maria Davila – Mayor, City of South Gate

Others:

Greg Nord – OCTA  
Perry Maljian – MACTEC  
Steve Lefever – Director of Community Development, City of South Gate  
Jialu Chen – Administrative Intern, Albert Perdon & Associates  
Sharad Mulchand – Transportation Planning Manager, MTA  
Steven Yee – City of Downey  
Gary Milliman – Authority Secretary/ City of South Gate  
Jack Joseph – Authority Treasurer/Gateway Cities COG  
Debbie Helbig – Project Development Coordinator, City of Santa Clarita  
Charles Griffin – Newport Beach OCBS

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

City of Bellflower Mayor and Board Chair Scott Larsen opened public comments for those in the audience who wished to address the Authority on other than agenda items. There was no response and the public comments session of the meeting was closed.

**ITEM 5 – APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 14, 2007**

City of Paramount Mayor Daryl Hofbauer moved to approve the meeting minutes of February 14, 2007 as corrected. City of Cerritos Mayor Paul Bowlen seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**ITEM 6 – RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RECOGNIZING FORMER CITY OF CERRITOS MAYOR AND AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER PAUL BOWLEN FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE AUTHORITY**

Chairman Larsen thanked City of Cerritos Mayor Bowlen for his support as a member of the Authority Board. Mayor Bowlen's term on the Cerritos Council ended in March due to term limits. Other Board members followed in expressing their appreciation for Mayor Bowlen's service.

Motion: City of Downey Mayor Kirk Cartozian moved to adopt the resolution recognizing Mayor Paul Bowlen for service to the Authority. City of Paramount Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously and with resounding applause for Mayor Bowlen.

**ITEM 7 – CONSIDER NEW MEETING LOCATION FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS**

Executive Director Albert Perdon informed the Authority that the June Board Meeting would be the last possible time available to meet in the current City of Cerritos location, as the building will undergo construction. Chairman Larsen recommended that future meetings be held at the Gateway Cities Council of Governments meeting location in Paramount. City of Santa Clarita Marsha McLean suggested looking into the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) building as a meeting venue, which conveniently also provides catering. She noted that the building is located near the downtown Los Angeles Union Station transportation hub and is within reasonable traveling distance for all cities. Chairman Larsen suggested moving the Board meeting for the month of April, to the Paramount location and researching MWD as a possible alternate location for future meetings.

Motion: City of Cudahy Mayor Frank Gurule moved to hold the Board meeting for the month of April at 16401 Paramount Boulevard in the City of Paramount, and directed staff to look into the MWD building as a possible location for future Board meetings. City of Paramount Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**ITEM 8 – CONSIDER FISCAL 2007-2008 BUDGET PARAMETERS**

Mr. Perdon asked the board for initial guidance on preparation of next year's budget. The initial draft budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 will be presented to the Board in April, a final draft would be presented in May, and the final budget would be presented for consideration and possible approval at the June Regular Meeting. He requested feedback on the budget from member cities. He expects continued participation from cities. The Authority is conducting major efforts this year and next to secure private funding and to receive the federal grant with a likely 20% match; this match amount will not be levied in the form of a special assessment as was the case with the ARCADIS agreement. It is anticipated that the annual investment contribution by member cities will either stay the same or slightly increase (3 percent or less). He indicated a major focus for the remainder of this year and next year would be to bring additional cities into the Authority. For example, City of San Fernando staff has indicated that the City will budget funds to join the Authority beginning July. Discussion about becoming a member city has continued with the City of Glendale. City of Santa Clarita Mayor Marsha McLean informed the Board she had a recent conversation with a member of the Glendale City Council and had strongly encouraged the City to join the Authority.

Mayor McLean stated that Santa Clarita is not likely to support an increase in assessment unless additional progress is made which she can report to her city. Mr. Perdon indicated that this organization was certainly not designed to complete one study after another, but rather to progress toward a goal of implementing the project, and that, as the Phase 1 Preliminary Engineering work, funded largely from private funds, is now complete and documented in the Milestone Reports, future work will be focused toward securing private funding and additional support of corridor cities and the State Legislature. Mayor McLean expressed the hope that increased interest in funding to build the Orangeline Maglev will convince her city to continue to support the project. She indicated that the City seeks some indication of more cities joining the Authority and of increased funding, which they would expect by the end of the calendar year.

City of Paramount Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer asked if Assembly Member Hector De La Torre has been approached about recruiting the City of Los Angeles to join the Authority. Mr. Perdon believes the entire board needs to have a discussion with Assembly Member De La Torre to strengthen our efforts to obtain State Legislature support. Authority Chairman Scott Larsen indicated that he and Mr. Perdon have a meeting scheduled with Senator Alan Lowenthal who, with Assembly Member Hector De La Torre, has agreed to approach Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to encourage his support. Executive Director Albert Perdon acknowledged the need to secure support of the City of Los Angeles and indicated he would direct his attentions there as well.

City of Downey Mayor Kirk Cartozian brought up that the lobbyist representatives of the Authority's member agencies should continue to make this project a priority and make contact with State legislators and others directly. He also encouraged the Board Members to lobby for the Authority and to talk to the members of the Legislature and their field deputies. City of Maywood Mayor Thomas Martin also emphasized the importance of talking to field deputies as well. Mayor Martin also indicated that Maywood is using Los Angeles County Proposition C ½-cent sales tax money for transit to fund its contribution to the Orangeline Maglev, in an effort to not impact their general fund. Furthermore, he suggested an open house meeting inviting field deputies, State legislators and members of Congress in order to begin the lobbying and recognition process. Authority Secretary Gary Milliman believes in the need for a legislative strategy and financial strategy, which city managers would like to see, that outlines specific goals for the coming year.

Mr. Perry Maljian, a representative from ARCADIS Team member MACTEC, suggested recruiting the Greater Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce for assistance in persuading Mayor of Los Angeles Antonio Villaraigosa to support the project. City of Downey Council Member Kirk Cartozian agreed with Mr. Maljian's suggestion. Coincidentally, City Council Member Cartozian has met Chamber President Gary Tobin recently and spoken with him about the Orangeline Maglev.

Mr. Perdon stated that he has had extensive communication with each of the Los Angeles City Council members in the past to secure their support for the project, especially those whose districts the Orangeline Maglev route passes through. At the most recent appearance before the Los Angeles City Council a motion brought forth for the City to join the Authority was referred to the City Council Transportation Committee, which at that time was chaired by now Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. However, this motion was not moved out of the Transportation Committee, or to his knowledge even considered. Mr. Perdon believes that with completion of the Phase 1 Preliminary Engineering, and the results showing the viability and benefits of the Orangeline Maglev, as well as positive indications from investment bankers, the Authority is well positioned to make its case to the Los Angeles City Council and to convince the City of Los

Angeles to join the Authority. This will decidedly be a political effort that will require strong and active participation by the Board members individually and as a body.

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority representative Sharad Mulchand reminded the Board that the MTA has agreed to discuss providing the right-of-way it needs to build the Orangeline Maglev.

Mr. Charles Griffin, a professional control engineer addressed the Board. He suggested soliciting support from the Lennar Corporation, which has a vested interest in public transportation as they have already built much housing around public transport. He also believes this Maglev will bring people to the Palmdale Airport, which is the best place for aerial travel out of the air basin. Mr. Griffin will follow-up with staff to discuss his ideas in support of the Orangeline Maglev.

#### **ITEM 9 – REPORT ON CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE BOND FUNDING DECISIONS**

Mr. Perdon reported that the California Transportation Commission (CTC) made its first decision on how to allocate bond funding. The CTC compiled a list of projects for funding reportedly based on technical evaluation of reduction of traffic congestion and state of readiness. The CTC received input from a very strong political presence from throughout the state, and especially from Southern California, that urged the CTC to revise its recommendations. The CTC met again in Irvine and presented wholesale changes to its original recommendations, allocating the entire \$4.5 billion program for the “CMIA” account and inserting additional projects in the list for funding, including for example several hundred million dollars to fund widening the I-405 Freeway in West Los Angeles. Mr. Perdon’s sees opportunity to secure State Infrastructure Bond funding, however it will take concerted political pressure, as demonstrated in the first round of funding allocations. The Authority has submitted a proposal seeking a loan guarantee from the State. Part of the Authority’s legislative strategy is to get adequate consideration for this project so that it will get a fair review in comparison with other projects. Ultimately, it will be a politically-driven decision and thus Mr. Perdon emphasized the need for additional member cities’ support.

City of South Gate Community Development Director Steve Lefever reported that he had met with Mr. Perdon to discuss forming a subcommittee of four to six of the member city’s planning and development director to create an agenda and project concept in order to secure housing and infrastructure bond funding. Mr. Perdon believes member city staff needs to be committed and engaged in the process in order for our efforts to be successful.

#### **ITEM 10 – REPORT ON PLANNED MEETING WITH POTENTIAL PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTORS AND FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS**

Mr. Perdon reported on meetings scheduled for the trip next week to New York to begin the process of securing private funding. Four meetings have been set up with investment bankers, which he feels is very encouraging. He has been in contact with a number of interested people in Boston, New York, San Francisco and Southern California. He estimated a total cost of up to \$2,500 would be incurred for the trip to New York and described various ways by which the cost would be kept down.

Meetings with federal transportation officials are still being scheduled and may or may not be included in this trip, depending upon schedule availability of the officials.

## **ITEM 11 – APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER**

Motion: City of Cudahy Mayor Frank Gurule moved to approve the Warrant Register as presented. City of Paramount Mayor Daryl Hofmeyer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **ITEM 12 – COMMUNICATION ITEMS TO THE BOARD**

Chairman Larsen congratulated those members of the Board who won re-election to their City Council offices. Mr. Perdon directed Board members to his communications report in the meeting packet, as well as to the Treasurer's report. He also brought attention to news articles from the Orange County Register and Wall Street Journal about the Maglev Project and Palmdale Airport included in the Board packet.

## **ITEM 13 – COMMUNICATION ITEMS FROM THE BOARD**

City of Los Alamitos Councilmember Troy Edgar summarized his involvement with City of Los Alamitos Councilmember Dean Grose in working to recruit Orange County cities, including the cities of Cypress, Stanton and La Palma. They received much interest, due in some respect to the demise of the Centerline light rail development program, and they were asked to host a briefing on the Orangeline Maglev project. He agreed with Mr. Griffin that a significant amount of construction is dependent on consolidating housing development, and so Lennar Corporation is a very strong potential investor. Councilmember Edgar also stated that he spoke with Orange County Supervisor John Moorlach, who is very receptive about the project and who also serves on the Orange County Transportation Authority Board. Supervisor Moorlach expressed an interest in meeting to discuss the Orangeline Maglev, particularly how it and other transportation improvements will be integrated. The concept of private funding has also garnered much interest in Orange County. As subsidized transportation isn't widely used, the demographic targeted by Maglev is very prevalent in Orange County. Councilmember Edgar's goal is to secure at least two to three Orange County cities as Authority members in the next year.

## **ITEM 14 – ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Orangeline Development Authority, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on April 11, 2007 at 16401 Paramount Boulevard, Paramount, California, at the same time.



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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Members of the Orangeline Development Authority
FROM: Albert Perdon, Executive Director
DATE: April 11, 2007
SUBJECT: Report on Alternate Location for future Authority Board meetings

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority Board consider and discuss the information provided in this report and provide guidance to staff.

DISCUSSION

At its meeting of March 14, 2007, the Authority Board approved holding its April Regular Meeting in Paramount, and directed staff to investigate the availability of meeting space and other factors for holding meetings at the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) headquarters building in downtown Los Angeles.

Staff has contacted MWD to obtain relevant information and will report to the Authority Board on the results of its inquiry.

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**TO:** Members of the Orangeline Development Authority  
**FROM:** Albert Perdon, Executive Director  
**DATE:** April 11, 2007  
**SUBJECT:** **Appointment of Authority Treasurer and Auditor**

The report will be distributed at the meeting

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AGENDA REPORT

TO: Members of the Orangeline Development Authority
FROM: Albert Perdon, Executive Director
DATE: April 11, 2007
SUBJECT: Formation of Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Budget Committee

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority Board form and appoint members to an Authority Board Budget Committee to oversee the preparation of the Authority Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Budget

DISCUSSION

In previous years, the Authority Board has formed a Budget Committee to oversee the development of the annual Budget and to make recommendations to the Authority Board for the adoption of the annual Budget.

Staff intends to complete preparation of the initial draft Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget this month. It would be presented to and reviewed by the Budget Committee prior to presentation to the full Authority Board in May.

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TO: Members of the Orangeline Development Authority
FROM: Albert Perdon, Executive Director
DATE: April 11, 2007
SUBJECT: Report on meetings with potential private sector investors and federal Department of Transportation officials

RECOMMENDATION

That the Authority Board consider the information provided and provide direction to staff.

DISCUSSION

At its meeting of February 14, 2007, the Authority Board authorized meetings of the Chair or his designee and the Executive Director with potential investors. The purpose of these meetings is to attract private investment in the Orangeline High Speed Maglev project.

The Authority Board approved a budget and authorized expenditures for this purpose. Chairman Larsen designated Los Alamitos City Council Member and Authority Board Vice Chair Troy Edgar to attend the meetings on his behalf. Kurt Goddard, ARCADIS, Senior Vice President, assisted the Authority in setting up, and participated in, some of the meetings.

Meetings were held, and contact was made with the following firms in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Boston and New York:

- March 16, 2007, Los Angeles
Union Bank
Henry S. Park, Senior Vice President
Richard G. Reeves, Vice President, Minerals and Infrastructure
March 20, 2007, New York (via telephone conference)
Bank of America
Dan O'Connor, Client Manager, Transportation Finance
March 21, 2007, New York
Lehman Brothers
Stephen Howard, Senior Vice President
Frank Mahoney, Managing Director, Public Finance

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**Bank of Nova Scotia**

William R. Collins, Managing Director

**Macquarie Investment Bank**

Trent Vichie, Division Director

- March 22, 2007, Email Contact  
**WestLB Investment Bank (e-mail contact)**  
Caryn Suffredini
- March 23, 2007, San Francisco  
**Babcock & Brown**  
Malcolm MacIntyre  
Warren Luhning  
Christian Hackett

**Result of Meetings**

The meetings and contacts achieved the Authority's immediate private financing objective, which is to assess the potential interest of the private investment community in the Orangeline High Speed Maglev and determine the prospects for securing private investment in the next project development phase and beyond. The meetings and contacts:

- Confirmed Private Funding Interest
- Determined Criteria Necessary for Private Investment
- Established Relationships Needed to Begin More Focused Legislative Work

**Next Steps**

As a result of the findings from the meetings and contacts made with the private investment representatives, the Authority should now focus its efforts to:

- Communicate with Project Stakeholders (Board, Cities, Legislators)
- Raise Public and Government Project Awareness
- Secure support of the State Legislature, and secure participation of the City of Los Angeles and other corridor cities as members of the Authority
- Secure right-of-way agreements for use of the Orangeline Maglev

There is also a need to follow-up with the investment representatives to solidify their interest in the Orangeline Maglev and begin the formal process of securing private financing for the next project development phase.



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**AGENDA REPORT**

**TO:** Members of the Orangeline Development Authority  
**FROM:** Albert Perdon, Executive Director  
**DATE:** April 11, 2007  
**SUBJECT:** **Approval of Warrant Register**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Authority Board approve the Warrant Register for the following period:

1. March 15, 2007 through April 11, 2007

**ATTACHMENT:**

1. Warrant Register for March 15, 2007 through April 11, 2007

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# Attachment 1

**Orangeline Development Authority**  
 Check/Voucher Register  
 1000 - Cash  
 From 3/15/2007 Through 4/11/2007

Document Number	Payee	Document Amount	Fund Title	Transaction Description
1125	Scott Larsen	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 11/06
	Total Scott Larsen	100.00		
1126	Paul Bowlen	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Paul Bowlen	100.00		
1127	Kirk Cartozian	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Kirk Cartozian	100.00		
1128	Jialu Chen	107.50	General Fund	Attendance and Minute Preparation for OLDA Meeting 3/14/07
	Total Jialu Chen	107.50		
1129	Colantuono & Levin, PC	427.50	General Fund	Professional Services Rendered
	Total Colantuono & Levin, PC	427.50		
1130	Craig Accountancy	1,981.63	General Fund	Professional Services Rendered
	Total Craig Accountancy	1,981.63		
1131	Maria Davila	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Maria Davila	100.00		
1132	Troy Edgar	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Troy Edgar	100.00		

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<u>Document Number</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Document Amount</u>	<u>Fund Title</u>	<u>Transaction Description</u>
1133	Erhart's Catering, Inc.	506.61	General Fund	Catering Services for OLDA Meeting 3/14/07
	Total Erhart's Catering, Inc.	506.61		
1134	Frank Gurule	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Frank Gurule	100.00		
1135	Daryl Hofmeyer	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Daryl Hofmeyer	100.00		
1136	Scott Larsen	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Scott Larsen	100.00		
1137	Thomas Martin	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Thomas Martin	100.00		
1138	Marsha McLean	100.00	General Fund	OLDA Meeting Stipend for 3/14/07
	Total Marsha McLean	100.00		
1139	Albert Perdon & Associates, Inc.	13,750.00	General Fund	Service Rendered for OLDA March 2007
	Total Albert Perdon & Associates, Inc.	13,750.00		
Report Total		17,773.24		



- **City of Los Angeles** – March 16, 2007; Executive Director meeting with City Council Member Janice Hahn and staff to provide a project update and to request support for the City becoming a member of the Authority.
- **City of Artesia** – March 17, 2007; Executive Director presented Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the Authority Board to former Authority Board Member and City of Artesia Mayor John Lyon for his service to the Authority in support of the Orangeline Maglev.
- **Investment Bankers** – March 16-23, 2007; Vice Chair Edgar and Executive Director met with investment bankers to secure private funding for the project.
- **City of Santa Ana** – April 2, 2007; Executive Director meeting with Jim Ross, Public Works Director and George Alvarez, City Engineer, to provide an update on the project and secure support for the City joining the Authority, in preparation for a meeting with the Mayor.
- **City of Los Alamitos** – April 2, 2007; Executive Director presented a project update and responded to questions. The City Council approved a resolution in support of the Authority's Proposal to the California Transportation Commission and delayed a vote on a resolution to support the Authority's Milestone 7 recommendations pending discussions with neighboring cities.
- **Assembly Member Hector De La Torre** – April 5, 2007; Executive Director prepared information material for Assembly Member to use in meeting with Los Angeles City Council Member Wendy Greuel to seek support for the Orangeline Maglev.
- **California High Speed Rail Authority** – April 5, 11 and 12, 2007; Executive Director attended public hearings on the Authority's high-speed rail project.
- **Orange County Transportation Authority** – April 26, 2007; Vice Chair Edgar and Executive Director are scheduled to make presentation to OCTA Board committee.

#### **ATTACHMENT**

1. Treasurer's March 2007 Report



**TREASURER'S REPORT  
ORANGELINE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
March 2007**

Beginning Cash Balance (3-1-07)	\$176,619.12
Cash Receipts	-
Cash Expenditures	<u>(19,602.16)</u>
Ending Cash Balance (3-31-07)	<u><u>\$157,016.96</u></u>

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Jack M. Joseph  
Treasurer