MODERATOR

Darrell Johnson  
*CEO, Orange County Transportation Authority and Treasurer, Mobility 21*

Darrell Johnson is the Chief Executive Officer of the Orange County Transportation Authority, leading an agency of 1,400 employees responsible for delivering projects, programs and services that improve mobility for more than 3 million county residents.

Under the direction of OCTA’s 17-member Board of Directors, Darrell is responsible for a more than $1.2 billion annual budget, implementing the planning, financing and coordinating of Orange County’s freeway, street and rail development, as well as managing countywide bus services, commuter-rail services, paratransit service and operation of the 91 Express Lanes.

Since becoming CEO in 2013, Darrell has focused on utilizing innovative financing methods to maximize Measure M, Orange County’s voter-approved half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements.

By 2020, more than $3 billion in OCTA projects will be under construction, including the $1.9 billion I-405 Improvement Project and 405 Express Lanes, the largest ever undertaken by the agency, and the OC Streetcar, Orange County’s first modern streetcar.

In addition, Darrell is reinventing Orange County’s transit system by delivering services and programs that improve efficiency, enhance the passenger experience and better match market demands. This effort includes an overhaul of the bus system, adding community-based transit services, exploring innovative technology solutions, private-sector partnerships, and piloting on-demand transportation projects.

Darrell represents OCTA on local, state and national policy issues related to successfully planning, financing and delivering transportation programs.

Darrell lives in Rancho Santa Margarita with his wife and two daughters.

PANELISTS

Hon. Robert Amparano  
*Chairman, Imperial County Transportation Commission and Mayor, City of Imperial*

Mayor Robert Amparano was elected to the Imperial City Council in 2016. Since his election, Mayor Amparano has been an effective leader on progressive issues within the Imperial Community.

At the age of 19, Mayor Amparano began working in the field of Emergency Services as a Firefighter and EMT. He later transitioned to the California Department of Correction as a Correctional Officer where he worked the main line, as well as providing in-service training for the institution. In 2005 he
was hired by the Imperial Irrigation District as a Zanjero and later transferred into the Office of Emergency Management.

Mayor Amparano has provided the Operational Area’s Emergency Operation Center assistance as the Deputy Ops Chief for Imperial County during the 2007 San Diego Wildfires, was the Emergency Services Coordinator II during the 2010 Easter Earthquake, IID’s Incident Commander for the 2011 Storm and as the Emergency Operations Center’s Emergency Services Coordinator for the 2011 Blackout. His current position is as an Emergency Services Coordinator II for IID and is actively participating in recovery efforts throughout the Imperial County and beyond.

Mayor Amparano is active in our community and currently the Cub Master for Imperial’s Cub Scout Troop 4086 which he has held for the last 2 years. During his position as Cub Master his troop has participated in events like Christmas in a Small town, Imperial’s Light parade, Hikes to TUMCO Mine, Plank Road, and takes cub scouts on an annual camping trip and plans to do various other community events with his troop.

In his off-time Mayor Amparano enjoys time with his family and watching his kids play sports, back yard bar-b-ques and taking them out to enjoy the outdoors. His hobbies include flying R/C airplanes, fishing, hunting, target shooting, off-roading and camping in the desert with his family and friends.

As Mayor, he loves Imperial for its vibrancy and visionary people, incredible cultural and intellectual life, diverse neighborhoods and the history of trailblazing leadership.

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**Hon. James T. Butts**

*Chairman, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and Mayor, City of Inglewood*

On Feb, 1, 2011, James T. Butts, Jr. was sworn in as Inglewood’s 12th mayor. Mayor Butts has 46 years of public safety and municipal government experience. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from California State University and a Masters Degree in Business Administration from California Polytechnic University. Mayor Butts has held the Rank of general manager or assistant general manager of 4 large municipal organizations. He served 19 years in the Inglewood Police Department rising to the rank of Deputy Chief, 15 years as the Chief of Police for the City of Santa Monica, and five years as an assistant general manager for Los Angeles World Airports in charge of Public Safety and Counterterrorism; taking LAX to a No. 1 ranking nationwide by the TSA in 2009.

In 2011 he negotiated with Madison Square Garden to renovate the Forum. In 2016, the Forum became the No. 1 concert venue in California. He secured the reinstatement of the federally defunded Residential Sound Insulation Program by obtaining over $100 million in grant funding. Inglewood now operates the number one Residential Sound Insulation Program in the country. On November 4, 2014, James T. Butts was re-elected Mayor of Inglewood with over 83 percent of the votes cast—the highest margin of victory in Inglewood electoral history.

In 2015, 2016 and 2018 he was named one of the 500 most influential leaders in LA County by the Los Angeles Business Journal. His business expertise prevented bankruptcy, by reducing a
structural deficit and various unfunded liabilities. Mayor Butts negotiated the return of the NFL to Southern California. Both the Rams and Chargers will play home games in Inglewood by the 2020 season.

In June of 2017, he led the City to open negotiations with the Los Angeles Clippers with the mutual intent of relocating the Clippers to Inglewood into a cutting-edge NBA arena. On September 30, 2018, Governor Jerry Brown signed Assembly Bill 987; this law establishes new environmental protection standards that will provide the new LA Clippers arena project with streamlining relief. The Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles have relocated to Inglewood in 2019.

On Nov. 4, 2018, James Butts, Jr. was re-elected to his third term as Mayor. In 2022 the LA Philharmonic will relocate its Youth Orchestra Program (YOLA) to Inglewood. In 2022, the Super bowl will be held in Inglewood, in 2023 the NCAA Championship Bowl game will take place in Inglewood, by 2024 it is expected the Clippers will open a state-of-the-art NBA arena here and finally in 2028, the Olympic Games will open in Inglewood, California.

Hon. Darcy McNaboe  
_Chairwoman, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority and Mayor, City of Grand Terrace_

Mayor Darcy McNaboe serves as President of the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) Board of Directors. In addition to SBCTA President, Darcy has been a member of the Grand Terrace City Council since 2010 and has served as Mayor since 2014. Prior to serving on the City Council, she served five years on the Grand Terrace Planning Commission.

Mayor McNaboe currently also serves on the Omnitrans Board of Directors and the Executive Committee for the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority.

Mayor McNaboe is a principal and founder of Village Enterprises; a local business and marketing enterprise where she works with professionals in a variety of industries including research and technology, accounting, law, transportation, non-profit organizations and city government. She has worked with small technology and manufacturing companies for over 25 years and currently represents The Community Foundation as its Charitable Giving Officer for San Bernardino City and County.

Mayor McNaboe and her husband Jim have lived in Grand Terrace for over 25 years. She graduated from California State University San Bernardino, where she received her B.A. in Marketing and an MBA with an emphasis in Management. She has taught workshops on process improvement in manufacturing and administrative environments, marketing basics, word of mouth marketing, effective networking, teamwork and meeting facilitation.
Hon. Manuel Minjares
Chairman, Ventura County Transportation Commission and Councilmember, City of Fillmore

Mayor Manuel Minjares is Mayor of the City of Fillmore and Chair of the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC). A graduate of California State University Northridge’s Urban Studies and Planning program, he has devoted his professional career to city planning, affordable housing and homeless services. Mayor Minjares joined Ventura County Supervisor Kelly Long’s staff in 2018 as a Field Representative for the Santa Clara River and Lockwood Valleys.

As a member of the Fillmore City Council, Mayor Minjares is proud to have helped lead his community back from the brink of insolvency at the height of the great recession. The council has been able to consistently adopt balanced budgets and re-establish a 40 percent General Fund reserve. Today, he leads a council engaged in helping Fillmore, a small, low-income community, prepare for rapid growth from its neighbors in Ventura County to the west and Los Angeles County to the east.

As a member of VCTC, Mayor Minjares works collaboratively with his fellow commissioners to help Ventura County understand its transportation challenges and create the policy needed to provide our community with a first-class transportation system.

Mayor Minjares and his wife, Susan, live and raise their four children in Fillmore. He grew up in Monterey Park, in the heart of Los Angeles County; a close, yet vastly different region from the one where he and his family have chosen to lay down their roots.

Hon. Tim Shaw
Chairman, Orange County Transportation Authority and Councilmember, City of La Habra

Councilmember Tim Shaw was first elected to the La Habra City Council in 2008, serving as Mayor in 2012 and 2018. Councilmember Shaw was appointed to the OCTA Board of Directors in December 2012.

In addition to serving as the Chairman of the Orange County Transportation Authority, he serves on the Executive Committee, the Transit Committee, the Legislative and Communications Committee, and the State Route 91 Advisory Committee. Councilmember Shaw is one of two Orange County representatives serving on the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN) Board of Directors. Councilmember Shaw is also La Habra’s representative on the Orange County Sanitation District’s Board of Directors.

Councilmember Shaw has worked in the office of California’s Governor, an Orange County Supervisor, and a State Senator. He currently works as the Government Affairs Director for the Pacific West Association of REALTORS® and is an adjunct professor of Political Science at Rio Hondo College. Councilmember Shaw’s education includes a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Management from Southern Illinois University and a Master of Arts in Legislative Affairs from The George Washington University Graduate School of Political Management. He served a two-year Spanish-speaking mission for his church in Chicago, Illinois.
As a young man, Councilmember Shaw attended elementary school in the Lowell Joint School District, where his mother now serves as an elected Trustee and where his children are attending school. He went on to La Habra High School. He also achieved the rank of Eagle Scout and is still active with the Boy Scouts as a Merit Badge Counselor.

Councilmember Shaw is married to La Habra native Shannon Bryant, and they are the proud parents of sons Luke, Matthew, Wes, Jason, Wyatt and Lincoln.

Hon. Chuck Washington  
Chairman, Riverside County Transportation Commission and Supervisor, County of Riverside

Supervisor Chuck Washington, and his wife Kathy, have been married for 45 years and have one adult daughter, Lindsey, a granddaughter, Charlie, and a grandson, Kellen. Supervisor Washington has been an elected public servant since 1995 serving in several capacities, including, Mayor and City Councilmember for both cities of Murrieta and Temecula, serving twice as Mayor of Temecula.

His elected public service extends to many other organization's Board of Directors such as: Temecula Community Services District, California Association of Councils of Governments, Western Riverside Council of Governments, Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission, Temecula Chamber of Commerce, Boys and Girls Club, Habitat for Humanity of Inland Valleys, Temecula Economic Development Corporation, and Inland Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

Supervisor Washington is the recipient of many distinguished recognitions such as: Families First Award from the LDS Church, American Planners Association Leadership Award, Citizen of the Year of both cities of Temecula and Murrieta, Kiwanis Citizen of the Year, PTA Honorary Service Award, and Toastmasters International Communication and Leadership Award.

Supervisor Washington has received a Masters Degree in Public Administration and a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and owns a successful business in Temecula. He is a former Navy Officer and Pilot and was a veteran commercial airline pilot for 24 years with Delta Airlines. Supervisor Washington was also a former Bank Vice President and is currently the Riverside County Supervisor for the third district.