

The seal of the City of Irvine, featuring a shield with a sun, a tree, and a person, surrounded by the text "CITY OF IRVINE" and the year "1971".

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

March 10, 2009
City Council Chamber
One Civic Center Plaza

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Irvine City Council was called to order at 4:03 p.m., on March 10, 2009, in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor Kang presiding.

ROLL CALL

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| Present: | 5 | Councilmember: | Steven Choi |
| | | Councilmember: | Beth Krom |
| | | Councilmember: | Christina Shea |
| | | Mayor Pro Tem: | Larry Agran |
| | | Mayor: | Sukhee Kang |

CONVENE TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING – 4:04 p.m.

RECONVENE TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING – 4:06 p.m.

1. CLOSED SESSION

- 1.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6) Agency Negotiators: Rick Paikoff, Director of Administrative Services; Jan Walden, Manager of Human Resources; and Brian King, Human Resources Administrator. Employee Organizations: Associated Supervisory/Administrative Personnel (ASAP); Irvine City Employees Association (ICEA); Irvine Professional Employees Association (IPEA); Irvine Police Association (IPA); Irvine Police Management Association (IPMA);**

Management and Non-Represented Employees (EXEMPT); and Confidential Employees.

Mayor Kang convened to Closed Session at 4:06 p.m.

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RECONVENE TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Kang reconvened the City Council meeting at 5:21 p.m.

City Attorney Phil Kohn, on behalf of the City Council, announced no reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Kang led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Kang requested a moment of silence.

MUSICAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Kang introduced the Irvine Young Concert Artists who performed, "America the Beautiful" and "Winter" by Vivaldi.

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 "Cans for Cash" Recycling Challenge Award

Angie Burgh, Management Analyst II and Pooja Jhobalia, Program Assistant gave a report on the "Cans for Cash" award. Mayor Kang presented the Irvine Public Schools Foundation with a \$5,000 check to assist the school district with its recycling programs.

2.2 Laguna Canyon Foundation: Update on Activities and Future Plans

Mayor Kang introduced Karl Warkomski of the Laguna Canyon Foundation who made a presentation about the Foundation's South Coast Wilderness Guide and future plans.

2.3 Employee Service Recognition: 24 Years of Service: Dave Mihalik, Public Safety

Sean Joyce, City Manager, introduced Deputy Chief David Mihalik and presented him with a certificate for his 24 years of service upon retirement.

INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Sean Joyce, City Manager, gave a status report on the impacts to the community from the layoffs of Orange County social services workers and presented a summary of the disbursement of federal stimulus funds to jumpstart the economy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Choi introduced his new appointee to the Irvine Child Care Committee, Soroya Galchi.

Mayor Pro Tem Agran reported on his recent trip to Washington DC with the Mayor, Assistant City Manager and CEO of the Orange County Great Park to lobby for federal funds to assist with social services and economic stimulus.

Mayor Kang made the following announcements:

- The UC Irvine Anteater basketball team defeated the Cal State Fullerton Titans on Saturday March 7th with a score of 65-62. As promised, the mayor of Fullerton will offer congratulations and display a commemorative UCI item at the dais and wear a UCI T-shirt during his City Council Meeting on March 17th.
- The City of Irvine has launched the iConnect web site where Irvine employers and residents can come together to post resumes and seek job opportunities. The iConnect web site can be located at www.cityofirvine.org/iConnect.
- This weekend will be the final weekend for the Great Skate Ice Rink. The Great Skate Ice Rink brings a temporary ice skating rink to historic Hangar 244 at the Orange County Great Park, and is open to the public on weekends from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. through March 15th.
- The second concert of the City's annual "Sounds of Spring" concert series will be held on March 22nd at 4:00 p.m. at the Irvine Civic Center. Admission is free but seating is limited.
- Donald Bren and Joan Irvine Smith have recently made the London Times' Green List for investing in green technology and business.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar Items consist of Item Nos. 3.1 through 3.8.

Moved by Councilmember Shea, seconded by Councilmember Krom, and unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3.1 through 3.8 with the exception of Item No. 3.8, which was removed for separate discussion.

3.1 MINUTES

ACTION:

- 1) Approved the minutes of a regular meeting of the Irvine City Council held on February 24, 2009.
- 2) Approved the minutes of a special meeting of the Irvine City Council held on February 27, 2009.

3.2 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION

ACTION: Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 09-18 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

3.3 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION - AT&T

ACTION: Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 09-19 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS OF AT&T AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

Councilmember Krom abstained.

3.4 A RESOLUTION OF THE IRVINE CITY COUNCIL AFFIRMING A COMMITMENT TO ICLEI - LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR SUSTAINABILITY

ACTION: Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 09-20 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE AFFIRMING A COMMITMENT TO ICLEI – LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR SUSTAINABILITY

3.5 HERITAGE PARK PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - CIP 379010

ACTION: Approved the plans and specifications for the Heritage Park Playground Improvement project, including the interactive water feature.

3.6 VACATION OF PORTIONS OF PACIFICA AND MERIDIAN, IRVINE CENTER (PLANNING AREA 33)

ACTION:

- 1) Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 09-21 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE TO ORDER THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF PACIFICA WITHIN IRVINE CENTER (PLANNING AREA 33) PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, SUMMARY VACATION, STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE SECTION 8330 ET. SEQ.
- 2) Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 09-22 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE TO ORDER THE VACATION OF PORTIONS OF MERIDIAN WITHIN IRVINE CENTER (PLANNING AREA 33) PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 4, SUMMARY VACATION, STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE SECTION 8330 ET. SEQ.

3.7 APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH RUTAN & TUCKER FOR LEGAL SERVICES

ACTION: Approved Agreement and authorized the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest the Agreement.

3.8 AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT OF CITY MANAGER

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of Mayor Kang who acknowledged the City Manager's achievements and job dedication.

ACTION: Moved by Mayor Kang, seconded by Councilmember Shea and unanimously carried to:

ACTION: Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute an extension of the Agreement for Employment of City Manager.

END CONSENT CALENDAR

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4.1 GENERAL PLAN AND ZONING ORDINANCE TECHNICAL UPDATE

Bill Jacobs, Principal Planner and Brian Fisk, Manager of Planning and Redevelopment, presented the staff report.

Mayor Kang opened the public hearing at 6:46 p.m.

There were no public requests to speak on this item.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Krom, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Agran, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 6:46 p.m.

City Council discussion included: rights to solar access and any future impacts the new regulations will have on neighbor disputes, regulations and enforcement by Public Safety on massage establishments, the difference between landscape and building setbacks and whether the proposed change to the requirement is citywide or just to the Irvine Business Complex, land use for child care facilities and the zoning of the San Joaquin Marsh PA 23.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Choi, seconded by Councilmember Shea, and unanimously carried to:

- ACTION:**
- 1) Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 09-23 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 00463314-PGA TO AMEND THE GENERAL PLAN TO RECONCILE MINOR INCONSISTENCIES; AND CLARIFY AND UPDATE SPECIFIC GENERAL PLAN PROVISIONS; FILED BY THE CITY OF IRVINE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
 - 2) Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 09-02 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE APPROVING ZONE CHANGES 00463315-PZC and 00478498-PZC TO REVISE THE ZONING ORDINANCE BY PROPOSING NEW OR REVISED LAND USE/ZONING PROVISIONS; INCORPORATING MINOR "CLEAN-UP" CHANGES; REVISING TEXT AND EXHIBITS FOR BETTER ACCURACY AND READABILITY; AND UPDATING THE ZONING ORDINANCE WITH PREVIOUSLY APPROVED LAND USE DECISIONS; FILED BY CITY OF IRVINE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

5. COUNCIL BUSINESS

5.1 CITY OF IRVINE OPEN SPACE PRESERVE - NORTH RECREATION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Stacy Blackwood, Community Services Manager and Michael O'Connell, Executive Director of the Irvine Ranch Conservancy presented the staff report.

City Council discussion included: volunteer opportunities with the Irvine Ranch Conservancy, extension of a running trail along the 405 in Quail Hill through Mason Park, coastal open space resources, the feasibility of connecting the inland open space to the coastal open space via the Great Park, and fire management plans within the open spaces.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Krom, seconded by Councilmember Choi, and unanimously carried to:

ACTION: Direct staff to submit the Recreation and Resource Management Plan - North to Nature Reserve of Orange County, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and California Department of Fish and Game for approval.

END COUNCIL BUSINESS


PUBLIC COMMENTS - 6:30 P.M.

Joe Cairo, Irvine resident, spoke on the progress of the proposed gymnasium at Bill Barber Park.

Esther Tse, Jessica Jin and Cheryl Yu, Northwood High School and Stephanie Berger, Earth Resource Foundation spoke on banning the use of Styrofoam and provided eco-friendly solutions.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Krom, seconded by Councilmember Shea, and unanimously carried to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.



MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE



CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

March 24, 2009