



MINUTES

**CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AND
REGULAR JOINT MEETING
WITH THE CITY OF IRVINE AS
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE
DISSOLVED IRVINE
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

July 28, 2020
City Council Chamber
One Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, CA 92606

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Irvine City Council and regular joint meeting with the City of Irvine as Successor Agency to the dissolved Irvine Redevelopment Agency was called to order at 5:32 p.m. on July 28, 2020, in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor/Chairwoman Shea presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present:	5	Councilmember/Boardmember:	Melissa Fox
		Councilmember/Boardmember:	Farrah N. Khan
		Councilmember/Boardmember:	Anthony Kuo
		Mayor Pro Tempore/Vice Chairman:	Mike Carroll
		Mayor/Chairwoman:	Christina Shea

Mayor/Chairwoman Shea announced that the meeting was broadcast live on Cox Communications Local Access Channel 30 and AT&T U-Verse Channel 99, and livestreamed online at cityofirvine.org; and that in an effort to protect public health and prevent the spread of COVID-19, the e-comment feature had been extended for all agenda items, which allowed members of the public the ability to submit e-comments through the

public comment portion of each item and would be included as part of the official record and uploaded to the City's website. She also assured the community that the City of Irvine was adhering to the Governor's Executive Order in the Council Chamber and throughout City Hall by sanitizing surfaces and equipment, as well as wearing face masks.

Mayor/Chairwoman Shea also announced that general public comments for the City Council on items not on the agenda would be considered at approximately 6:30 p.m., which had been standard practice prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, and expressed her appreciation for everyone's patience and understanding as the City continued to make adjustments to meeting protocols as needed.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor/Chairwoman Shea led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Pastor Mike Anderson from Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Irvine provided the invocation.

1. CITY COUNCIL RECOGNITIONS

1.1 *Commend the United Across Borders Foundation on its June 27, 2020, Food Distribution Event*

Mayor Shea presented a commendation to the United Across Borders Foundation for its June 27, 2020, food distribution event at the Orange County Great Park, which resulted in over 1,300 cars being filled with fresh fruits, vegetables, and groceries that greatly benefitted those in need during this difficult time; and expressed her appreciation to Councilmembers Fox and Khan for bringing the item forward.

Councilmember Fox also expressed her appreciation to the United Across Borders Foundation for its collaborative efforts and generosity to those in need.

Molly Perry, City Clerk, noted that an e-comment was received by Anonymous Resident, who suggested that the commendation speak more to the efforts made by the United Across Borders Foundation.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

There was no report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL REPORTS

- Councilmember Khan, as the City's representative to the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District (OCMVCD), announced that OCMVCD had confirmed the first mosquito samples infected with West Nile virus in the City of Irvine, and encouraged residents to take steps to protect themselves by applying EPA-registered repellent, wearing long-sleeved clothing, and eliminating potential breeding sources around properties, such as standing water. For information on West Nile virus, visit ocvector.org.
- Councilmember Fox expressed concern about the public's inability to provide verbal testimony at City Council meetings, and suggested that live testimony be permissible via Zoom or other type of digital platform. In addition, Councilmember Kuo noted that some members of the public expressed concern about potential non-compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Brown Act), to which City Attorney Melching provided a brief summary of the Governor's Order related to temporary waivers of the Brown Act during the pandemic, and assured the City Council that it was in compliance with those requirements.

Mayor Shea made the following announcements:

- The application period for the Rental Assistance Program closed on Friday, July 24, with 1,877 applications received. Residents had the option of applying for one of two grants, which included a maximum one-time \$1,000 grant for assistance with lease termination fees, or a maximum one-time \$1,000 grant for rental payment assistance. Staff are diligently reviewing applications for eligibility. Grants will be distributed in the coming weeks as funding becomes available to the City via the federal CARES Act.
- A variety of summer camps will be offered for children and teens to have fun and learn new skills in a safe environment that meets State and County health guidelines. Camp options include music, theater, reading, science, baking, LEGO, and more. There will also be additional options for kids at Irvine park sites. The goal is to keep children and staff safe while providing much needed summer fun. Activities are structured to maintain social distancing, and camp supplies are never shared between children. For information on new camps added each week, visit yourirvine.org each Monday.
- In an effort to provide family fun while following safety guidelines, the Orange County Great Park will host the "Summer Drive-In Series" beginning August 1 through August 29. The series has been well received by the public so far, with all tickets reserved by residents within the first 48 hours.

- The City of Irvine and the American Red Cross are hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, August 12 at the Orange County Great Park in the Artist Studios at the Palm Court Arts Complex. There is a constant need for blood, which can potentially save up to three lives and help ensure patients do not have to wait to receive needed care. To schedule an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: cityofirvine.
- The third week of the COVID-19 drive-up testing program is underway at the Orange County Great Park. To date, 2,055 individuals have been tested, and capacity was expanded to allow additional testing in the second week. Approximately 1,200 people will be tested this week. Test results are available in two to three days after the appointment. The City of Irvine was the first city in Orange County to provide COVID-19 testing to those who live or work in Irvine, regardless of whether symptoms are shown. The no-cost PCR testing is available by appointment only and takes place Mondays through Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

CONVENE TO THE JOINT MEETING WITH THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Mayor/Chairwoman Shea convened to the regular joint meeting with the City of Irvine as Successor Agency to the dissolved Irvine Redevelopment Agency at 5:55 p.m.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR - CITY COUNCIL

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember/Boardmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember/Boardmember Kuo, and unanimously carried to approve City Council Consent Calendar Item Nos. 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.6, 2.8, and 2.9, and Successor Agency Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3.1 and 3.2.

City Council Consent Calendar Item Nos. 2.1, 2.5, 2.7, and 2.10 were removed for separate discussion.

2.1 MINUTES

Molly Perry, City Clerk, noted that an e-comment had been received from Anonymous Resident, who suggested that the minutes reflect that public comments had failed to be heard at 6:30 p.m. as reflected on the City Council agenda.

There was no City Council discussion.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Kuo, and unanimously carried to:

Approve the minutes of a special meeting of the Irvine City Council and special joint meeting with the Orange County Great Park Board held on June 23, 2020.

2.2 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION

ACTION:

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 20-66 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

2.3 COMMENDATIONS

ACTION:

Commended the United Across Borders Foundation on its June 27, 2020, Food Distribution Event.

2.4 RENEWAL OF ORANGE COUNTY GREAT PARK ENVIRONMENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE

ACTION:

- 1) Authorized staff to execute the renewal of expiring environmental insurance coverage with premiums not to exceed \$850,000.
- 2) Approved an appropriation and corresponding budget adjustment, as required by the Fiscal Transparency and Reforms Act, in an amount not to exceed \$850,000 in premiums for the replacement of environmental insurance coverage.

(Unless otherwise directed by a member of the City Council, the vote on this matter will reflect the prior action of each Councilmember when he or she sat and voted as a member of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Great Park Corporation. However, if a Councilmember is not present at the City Council meeting, his or her vote will be reflected as absent.)

Approved 5-0.

2.5 ACCEPTANCE OF SOUTH COAST CHINESE CULTURAL CENTER ASSOCIATION DONATION

Molly Perry, City Clerk, noted that the following e-comments had been received:

- Chelsea Boyle, who spoke in opposition to the acceptance of the donation, and spoke in favor of defunding the police.
- Anonymous Resident, who expressed appreciation to South Coast Chinese Cultural Association for its support of the Public Safety Department and City's mission.

Mayor Shea reiterated that the donation was made for the purposes of repairing Public Safety vehicles that sustained damage while assisting with mutual aid during recent protests in a neighboring city; and both Mayor Shea and Councilmember Fox expressed their appreciation to the South Coast Chinese Cultural Association for its generosity.

Councilmember Kuo inquired about a potential conflict-of-interest given that he currently serves as an unpaid trustee of the South Coast Chinese Cultural Association, to which City Attorney Melching confirmed that no conflict-of-interest existed.

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

- 1) Accept a \$15,000.00 donation from the South Coast Chinese Cultural Center Association.
- 2) Approve a budget adjustment appropriating \$15,000.00, reflecting an increase in revenues and appropriations.

2.6 CONTRACT AWARD FOR TREE-TRIMMING SERVICES

ACTION:

Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute a tree maintenance service contract with West Coast Arborists, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for an annual not-to-exceed amount of \$3,425,500. **(Contract No. 11136)**

2.7 NOTICE OF REVIEW FOR A TRACT MAP IN PORTOLA SPRINGS

Molly Perry, City Clerk, noted that an e-comment had been received by Anonymous Resident, who spoke in support of the proposed tract map in Portola Springs and the affordable housing units that would ensue.

There was no City Council discussion.

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

Receive and file.

2.8 SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 20-06 ESTABLISHING CHANGES AND ADDITIONS TO POSTED SPEED LIMITS

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 20-06 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DIRECTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE "CITY OF IRVINE ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC SURVEYS FOR SPEED LIMITS," AS MAINTAINED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT AS THE OFFICIAL DOCUMENTATION OF DECLARED PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMITS

(Unless otherwise directed by a Member of the City Council, the vote at second reading will reflect the same vote as at first reading. However, if a Councilmember was absent at first reading, his or her vote cast at second reading will be reflected. If a Councilmember is not present at the second reading/adoption, the vote will be reflected as absent.)

Approved 5-0.

2.9 APPROVE EES CONSULTING TO PERFORM WORK RELATED TO PHASE 2 COMMUNITY CHOICE ENERGY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

ACTION:

Authorized and approved scope of work by EES Consulting related to Phase 2 of the Community Choice Energy Implementation Plan, in the amount not to exceed \$75,000.

2.10 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUND GRANT NOMINATIONS

Molly Perry, City Clerk, noted that the following e-comments had been received:

- Kristina Blake, who spoke in opposition to grants for the Irvine Chinese Evergreen Association and Irvine Korean Evergreen Association, and suggested that organizations who have endured financial hardships from COVID-19 should be supported.
- Allen Levy, who spoke in opposition to a grant for the South Coast Chinese Cultural Center, and in support of grants for the Ektaa Center, Families Forward, and Meals on Wheels.
- Anonymous Resident, who spoke in support of Mayor Shea and her respective Community Partnership Fund Grant nominations.
- Chelsea Boyle, who spoke in opposition to the Community Partnership Fund Grant nominations to Families Forward and South Coast Chinese Cultural Center.

Councilmember Fox noted the long tradition of supporting seniors and other vulnerable populations; and expressed her appreciation to Mayor Shea and Councilmember Khan for their generous gifts to community organizations, noting that she would be doing the same in the near future.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Fox, seconded by Councilmember Kuo, and unanimously carried to:

- 1) Approve Councilmember Khan's request for Community Partnership Fund Grant Nominations to the following organizations in support of program costs:
 - a) Irvine Chinese Evergreen Association (\$500)
 - b) Irvine Korean Evergreen Association (\$500)
 - c) Ektaa Center (\$500)
 - d) NEDA Association of Iranian American Seniors (\$500)
- 2) Approve Mayor Shea's requests for Community Partnership Fund Grant Nominations to the following organizations in support of program costs:
 - a) Families Forward (\$500)
 - b) South Coast Chinese Cultural Center (\$500)
 - c) National Charity League of Irvine – Meals on Wheels (\$500)
 - d) Irvine Chinese Evergreen Association (\$500)
 - e) Irvine Korean Evergreen Association (\$500)

3. CONSENT CALENDAR - SUCCESSOR AGENCY

3.1 MINUTES

ACTION:

Approved the minutes of a regular joint meeting of the City of Irvine as Successor Agency to the dissolved Irvine Redevelopment Agency with the Irvine City Council held on January 14, 2020.

3.2 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION - CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED IRVINE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

ACTION:

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 20-02 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED IRVINE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS OF THE CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED IRVINE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

PUBLIC COMMENT - SUCCESSOR AGENCY

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT - JOINT MEETING WITH THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Moved by Councilmember/Boardmember Kuo, seconded by Councilmember/Boardmember Fox, and unanimously carried to adjourn the regular joint meeting with the City of Irvine as Successor Agency to the dissolved Irvine Redevelopment Agency at 6:05 p.m.

RECONVENE TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Shea reconvened the regular City Council meeting at 6:06 p.m.

4. COUNCIL BUSINESS

4.1 COVID-19 SITUATIONAL UPDATE AND DIRECTION TO DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES ON RELEVANT ACTION ITEMS

Marianna Marysheva, Assistant City Manager, and Mike Hamel, Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

Michael Hsu, Chief Executive Officer of Curogram, provided a brief summary of the services offered by Curogram, and expressed his appreciation to the City Council for the opportunity to provide testing for those who live and/or work in the City of Irvine.

City Council discussion included: expressing appreciation to Curogram for conducting COVID-19 testing at the Orange County Great Park; noted concerns from residents related to the closures of recreational pools and suspension of youth sports; noted that Irvine continues to follow mandates from the State and County; reiterated that Irvine has the lowest number of positive COVID-19 cases per capita of cities geographically closest to the City or similar in population; and inquired about whether the Rental Assistance Program could be reopened for purposes of disbursing any unused funds.

City Manager Russo noted that he was required to certify that the City was following State orders in order to receive \$3 million in CARES Act funding from the State, and that the City could expect future audits from the State in order to ensure continued compliance.

Mayor Shea reiterated the importance of following State mandates, noting that the State could withhold funding at any time if the City was found to be non-compliant.

Molly Perry, City Clerk, noted that the following e-comments had been received:

- Allen Levy, who inquired about statistics related to the Rental Assistance Program, and the non-profit entity administering the program, and in support of not rushing the reopening of City facilities until it is safe to do so.
- Pamela Wykoff, who inquired about COVID-19 test kits and the rate of false positive tests; and spoke in opposition to the mask requirement in Irvine.
- Scott Hansen, who spoke in support of COVID-19 testing at the Orange County Great Park, and suggested that the program be expanded.
- Susan Sayre, who inquired about statistics related to COVID-19 cases; and noted that Irvine is not enforcing masks or social distancing such as other cities, who contract with security agencies to issue citations for non-compliance.

- Joe Doe, who spoke in support of the COVID-19 testing at the Orange County Great Park, while also noting concerns with Curogram's scheduling system.

By consensus, received and filed. No action was taken.

4.2 CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY VICE MAYOR CARROLL AND COUNCILMEMBER KUO TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOAG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PRESBYTERIAN

Councilmember Kuo suggested that this item be continued to the August 11, 2020, City Council meeting, to which Vice Mayor Carroll concurred.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Kuo, seconded by Vice Mayor Carroll, and unanimously carried to:

Continue the item to the August 11, 2020, City Council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT-CITY COUNCIL

Molly Perry, City Clerk, noted that the following e-comments had been received:

- Bob Johnson, Irvine Resident (1), and Irvine Resident (2), who spoke in opposition to a 5G implementation plan in the City based on the potential health and safety concerns.
- Anonymous Resident, who inquired about whether the City had purchased music licenses for all of the copyrighted music that is used for ICTV programming, including City Council meetings.
- Jack Fancher, who spoke in opposition to the proposed Veteran's Cemetery at the Amended and Restated Development Agreement (ARDA) site and in support of the Golf Course site at the Orange County Great Park, and inquired about whether the State would soon conduct a feasibility study of the Golf Course site.
- Chelsea Boyle, who spoke in support of Mayor Shea's resignation, as well as rent cancellation and defunding the police.

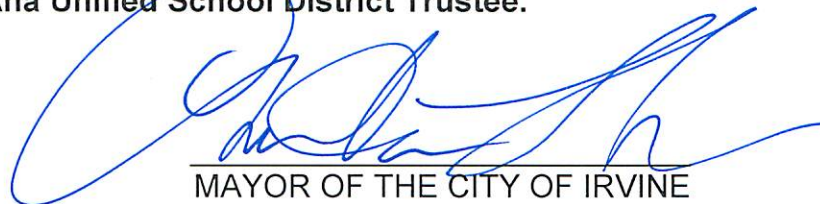
ADJOURNMENT-CITY COUNCIL – IN MEMORIAM

Councilmember Kuo requested that the City Council meeting be adjourned in memory of longtime Santa Ana City Councilman and Santa Ana Unified School District Trustee Bob Richardson, who passed away over the weekend.

Moved by Councilmember Kuo, seconded Mayor Shea, and unanimously carried to adjourn the City Council meeting 6:40 p.m. in memory of Bob Richardson, longtime Santa Ana City Councilman and Santa Ana Unified School District Trustee.



CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE



MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

September 8, 2020