



## MINUTES

### CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**April 8, 2025**  
**City Council Chamber**  
1 Civic Center Plaza  
Irvine, CA 92606

#### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Irvine City Council was called to order at 4:05 p.m. on April 8, 2025, in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor Agran presiding.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: 6 Councilmember:	Mike Carroll
Councilmember:	William Go
Councilmember:	Melinda Liu
Councilmember:	Kathleen Treseder
Vice Mayor:	James Mai
Mayor:	Larry Agran

#### 1. CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Melching announced the following Closed Session item:

- 1.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
(Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)): City of Irvine v.  
Kingston Kohr, Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2022-  
01261652-CU-JR-CJC**

Janet Hsu, property owner, spoke in opposition to unrealistic timelines imposed by the City to remedy the subject property on Kettering Street and obstruction of the property owner's abatement attempts.

**RECESS**

Mayor Agran recessed the City Council meeting to Closed Session at 4:12 p.m.

**RECONVENE TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Agran reconvened the City Council meeting at 5:04 p.m. City Attorney Melching, on behalf of the City Council, announced that no reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Go led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Lead Pastor Jason Aguilar from Enjoy Church provided the invocation.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS**

Susan Sayre, Irvine resident, noted her qualifications related to health and wellness and challenges she encountered when submitting the online application for at-large membership in the Health and Wellness Advisory Committee.

Mary Frouhar and Susan Renner spoke in opposition to the lack of community outreach related to the previously proposed dog park in Oak Creek.

The following individuals spoke in support of the previously proposed dog park that was part of the Oak Creek Community Park Improvement Project:

- Darren Parker, Irvine resident
- Thomas Renner, Irvine resident
- Audrey Van Tuyl, University of California, Irvine, student
- Crit Van Tuyl

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, expressed appreciation to the City Council for its collaboration with one another, and to the City Manager for his knowledge and expertise.

Peggy Hansen, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to the danger posed by hazardous waste located on the perimeter of the existing dog park.

Jason Garshfield, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to antisemitic speech previously heard in the Council Chamber.

Laura Cormack spoke in support of the proposed upgrades at Central Bark and noted feedback provided by parents at Oak Creek Community Park related to the previously proposed dog park.

Carol Schwartz and Pawan Manikonda, Board Member of Orange Tree Patio Homes Association, spoke in support of expanding and enhancing the existing dog park.

Rolf Parkes, President of the Orange Tree Master Homeowners Association and Patio Homes Association, spoke in opposition to the relocation of the dog park due to noncompliance with City decibel requirements.

Catherine Rusk, Irvine resident, spoke in support of additional dog parks in the City.

The following individuals spoke in support of keeping the dog park at its existing location:

- Maksim Egorov
- Roger Philips, Irvine resident
- Mahsa, Irvine resident

Duy Viet Le spoke in support of the rule of law and freedom from arbitrary detention, and in opposition to the denial of rights to citizens and noncitizens.

Kirk Kilian noted safety concerns related to a dog park within close proximity to a children's play area, and spoke in support of a previous speaker.

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in support of Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPis) and Costa Mesa's new poet laureate; and spoke in opposition to Councilmember Treseder wearing City attire at a recent protest and non-issued proclamations.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

City Manager Chi provided a brief summary related to the study session held at a special City Council meeting earlier in the day at which time the City Council received a report regarding the status of the current projects included in the draft Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP). He also noted that the CAAP document and the list of projects would be reviewed by the Sustainability Commission at its next meeting, and that staff would also be: 1) seeking the engagement of other commissions; 2) putting together an engagement plan; and 3) returning to the City Council for its consideration within the next couple of months.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL REPORTS**

### Councilmember Liu

- Councilmember Liu noted her recent attendance at multiple celebrations highlighting the contributions of women in Orange County, and joined Orange County Supervisor/Vice Chair Katrina Foley, Assemblymember Cottie Petrie-Norris, and Senator Steven Choi in honoring community members.
- Councilmember Liu attended a professional development conference hosted by the Filipino American Chamber of Commerce of Orange County that empowered small business owners.
- Members of Councilmember Liu's office attended Pretend City Children's Museum's Good to Go Fair and subsequently partnered with many organizations to provide resources to families with young children in the community.
- Donations for the City of Irvine and 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee's Baby Gift Drive, such as baby monitors, diapers, wipes, and breast pumps, can be dropped off at City Hall through May 16.
- The Office of Councilmember Liu, in partnership with South Coast Chinese Cultural Center (SCCCC) and Pretend City Children's Museum, is hosting a youth art contest. Artwork can be submitted at City Hall, SCCCC, or Pretend City by April 30. Similarly, her office is assisting Cool Irvine with collecting artwork through April 11. For more information, visit Councilmember Liu's social media or contact her office.

### Councilmember Go

- At its recent meeting, the Southern California Association of Governments Regional Council reviewed Pasadena's transit response to the Eaton fire that occurred in January and learned about what could be done to prepare in the event of a wildfire, which correlated with a meeting he recently had with Great Park Neighborhoods residents expressing concerns about homeowners insurance and wildfire threats.
- Members of the community are invited to a Wildfire Preparedness and Insurance Town Hall in June, which will be held in partnership with Mayor Agran, State Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara, Orange County Fire Authority, and Irvine Police Department. Discussion topics will include homeowner insurance and preparedness, local emergency response, and regional and federal initiatives. Additional information will be forthcoming.

- In celebration of Earth Day, Councilmember Go's Office will be partnering with Orange County Cycling Business Coalition and the City of Irvine for a Community Bike Ride on April 25 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Registration is required. Participants can register for either the 5 Mile or 25 Mile tour.

#### Vice Mayor Mai

- Vice Mayor Mai provided an update on the Orange County Power Authority (OCPA), noting that he and Councilmember Go would request that the solar and electric vehicle charger rebate programs be discussed at the April 14 meeting of the OCPA Board of Directors. He also noted that there has been a savings of approximately \$3 million, to date, as a result of lowering to the Basic Choice tier.
- Vice Mayor Mai expressed appreciation to the Irvine Police Department for its efforts in keeping Irvine as one of the safest cities in America for its size, and also expressed his appreciation to an off-duty police officer who experienced a life-threatening situation during early morning hours when an erratically driving suspect tried to run him off and road and subsequently opened fire. Due to the heroic efforts of the off-duty police officer, the suspect was tracked down to a parking lot at Pechanga Casino and ultimately arrested.

#### Mayor Agran

- Members of the public are invited to participate in a Bike Tour of Irvine, hosted by the Orange County Cycling Business Coalition in partnership with the City of Irvine, on Friday, April 25. The 5-mile and 25-mile rides will start and end at Irvine Station. Check-in is from 2 to 2:30 p.m., and rides will take place from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. The event is free and suitable for all experience levels, and registration is required. To register, visit *YourIrvine.org* and search for Community Bike Tour.
- Mayor Agran joined mayors across the country for the National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation, an annual challenge presented by the Wyland Foundation that invites residents to make a long-term commitment to managing water resources more wisely. Members of the public are invited to visit *mywaterpledge.com* by April 30 to make a series of online pledges to conserve water on behalf of the City. Cities with the highest percentage of residents who take the challenge in their population category win the title of the most water-wise city in the nation. Opportunities are also available for those who make a pledge to win environmentally-friendly prizes and \$3,000 toward their home utility bills.

- Members of the public are invited to join the City of Irvine, Irvine Ranch Conservancy, and Irvine Company at an open space celebration on Saturday, April 19 at 9 a.m. at the Quail Hill Trailhead. Guests will be treated to a free pancake breakfast, family-fun activities, and a hike of the 1.8-mile Quail Hill Loop Trail. The family-friendly, guided hike will begin at 10:30 a.m. Attendees are asked to wear comfortable, closed-toe shoes. For more information and to reserve a space, visit [cityofirvine.org](http://cityofirvine.org). Following the Open Space Celebration, the Earth Day event at the Quail Hill Community Center will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and offer attendees opportunities to enjoy guided hikes, a composting demo, and interactive activities and presentations offered by the City and partner agencies. For more information, visit [cityofirvine.org/EarthDay](http://cityofirvine.org/EarthDay).

## **ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

## **2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Prior to adoption of the Consent Calendar, the following individuals spoke on the following:

### 2.1

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to the characterization of technical difficulties related to Zoom and the impact on virtual speaker participation in the meeting minutes of March 11, 2025, and requested that the minutes be amended.

### 2.2

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to the lack of a proclamation in recognition of Irish American Heritage Month.

**Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Councilmember Carroll, and unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 2.1 through 2.11.**

## **2.1 MINUTES**

### **ACTION:**

Approved the minutes of a special meeting of the City Council held on March 11, 2025, **as amended** to include revisions related to the technical difficulties experienced with Zoom.

**2.2 PROCLAMATIONS**

**ACTION:**

- 1) Proclaimed April 10, 2025, as "Arbor Day."
- 2) Proclaimed April 13-19, 2025, as "Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week."

**2.3 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

**ACTION:**

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 25-33 - 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

**2.4 FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 FINANCIAL REPORTS AND AUDIT RESULTS**

**ACTION:**

Received and filed.

**2.5 2024 ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE HOUSING ELEMENT**

**ACTION:**

Received and filed the 2024 Housing Element Annual Progress Report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research; filed by the City of Irvine Community Development Department.

**2.6 2024 ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE GENERAL PLAN**

**ACTION:**

Received and filed the 2024 General Plan Annual Progress Report (GPAPR) for the City of Irvine's General Plan to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR); filed by the City of Irvine Community Development Department.

**2.7 ADOPTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR THE HICKS CANYON WASH IMPROVEMENTS (CIP 381901)**

**ACTION:**

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 25-34 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR HICKS CANYON WASH IMPROVEMENTS

**2.8 NOTICE OF REVIEW FOR A TRACT MAP IN GREAT PARK NEIGHBORHOODS**

**ACTION:**

Received and filed.

**2.9 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NOS. 25-04 and 25-05 APPROVING ZONE CHANGES TO ALLOW THE "RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (R&D)" LAND USE AS A USE PERMITTED BY RIGHT WITHIN THE 5.6 BUSINESS PARK ZONING DISTRICT IN PLANNING AREA 4 (LOWER PETERS CANYON) AND THE 4.8 IRVINE CENTER GARDEN COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT IN PLANNING AREA 33 (IRVINE SPECTRUM CENTER)**

**ACTION:**

- 1) Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-04 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00933499-PZC TO PERMIT THE "RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (R&D)" LAND USE BY RIGHT WITHIN THE 5.6 BUSINESS PARK ZONING DISTRICT IN PLANNING AREA 4 (LOWER PETERS CANYON); FILED BY PIRZADEH AND ASSOCIATES ON BEHALF OF IRVINE COMPANY OFFICE PROPERTIES
- 2) Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-05 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00933500-PZC TO PERMIT THE "RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (R&D)" LAND USE BY RIGHT WITHIN THE 4.8 IRVINE CENTER GARDEN COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT IN PLANNING AREA 33 (IRVINE SPECTRUM CENTER); FILED BY PIRZADEH AND ASSOCIATES ON BEHALF OF IRVINE COMPANY OFFICE PROPERTIES

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**Approved 6-0.**

**2.10 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-06 REGARDING TECHNICAL UPDATES TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE**

**ACTION:**

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-06 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00947581-PZC TO AMEND THE IRVINE ZONING ORDINANCE BY PROVIDING NEW AND REVISED ZONING PROVISIONS RELATED TO CHAPTER 1-2- DEFINITIONS; CHAPTER 2-2- ADMINISTRATIVE RELIEF PROCEDURES; CHAPTER 2-5- APPEAL AND CALL-UP REVIEW PROCEDURE; CHAPTER 2-23- PUBLIC MEETINGS, HEARINGS AND NOTICE PROCEDURES; CHAPTER 2-33- ADMINISTRATIVE USE PERMIT; CHAPTER 3-37- ZONING DISTRICT LAND USE REGULATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; CHAPTER 9-33- PLANNING AREA 33 (IRVINE SPECTRUM CENTER); AND CHAPTER 9-34- PLANNING AREA 34 (IRVINE SPECTRUM 5)

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**Approved 6-0.**

**2.11 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-07 ESTABLISHING DESIGN-BUILD AND PROGRESSIVE DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACT PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES**

**ACTION:**

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-07 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 6-10-102 OF CHAPTER 1 AND 6-10-201 AND 6-10-215 OF CHAPTER 2 OF DIVISION 10 OF TITLE 6 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCORPORATE PROVISIONS PERMITTING THE AWARD OF DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACTS PURSUANT TO CHAPTERS 4 AND 4.7 OF PART 3 OF DIVISION 2 OF THE PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

(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 5-1 (Councilmember Treseder voted No).**

**3. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**3.1 FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 LANDSCAPE, LIGHTING AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT**

Oliver Chi, City Manager, introduced Dahle Bulosan, Director of Administrative Services, and Josh Brooks, Deputy Director of Administrative Services, who presented the staff report and responded to questions. Oliver Chi, City Manager, and Jeff Melching, City Attorney, also responded to questions.

Don Geller, Irvine resident, noted that the Finance Commission reviewed and recommended City Council approval to send the proposed levy increase to homeowners for a vote.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about practices of other municipalities related to the proposed type of tax assessment; inquired about the rationale for Irvine having one of the lowest property tax rates in the County; questioned the levy of assessments for apartment communities; inquired about attributability of costs to sustainability/electrification requirements and associated net cost increases; noted potential unintended consequences related to sustainability and

electrification requirements; questioned assigned weights based on property owned, if applicable; inquired about community outreach; questioned the potential removal of the sustainability surcharge; inquired about the balloting process and information reflected on the ballot; questioned whether balloting would take place in the Great Park and University of California, Irvine, areas; inquired about the financial impacts to the General Fund if the increases were not approved; and questioned the ability to utilize more General Fund monies in the event of future revenue shortfalls.

**ACTION:** Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Councilmember Liu, to:

- 1) Adopt – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS AND BALLOTING PROCEDURES TO LEVY PROPOSED NEW OR INCREASED ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE LANDSCAPE, LIGHTING AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF DIVISION 15 OF THE CALIFORNIA STREETS AND HIGHWAY CODE AND ORDERING THE ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND FILE AN ENGINEER'S REPORT
- 2) Adopt – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS, BALLOT FOR NEW/ INCREASED ASSESSMENTS AND PRELIMINARY APPROVE THE ANNUAL ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE LANDSCAPE, LIGHTING AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26
- 3) Adopt – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS AND TO BALLOT OWNERS IN THE CITY OF IRVINE LANDSCAPE, LIGHTING AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR A NEW/INCREASED ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 AND TO APPOINT A TIME AND PLACE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THESE MATTERS AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THE BALLOTING PROCEDURES

The motion failed as follows:

AYES: 2 COUNCILMEMBERS: Go and Liu  
NOES: 4 COUNCILMEMBERS: Carroll, Mai, Treseder,  
and Agran  
ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None  
ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Following the vote, Mayor Agran introduced a motion to reconsider the item.

**ACTION: Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Councilmember Treseder, and unanimously carried to reconsider the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Landscape, Lighting, and Park Maintenance Assessment (Council Business Item No. 3.1).**

Additional City Council discussion included: clarifying the attribution of the proposed increase solely to sustainability initiatives; and reiterated that adoption of the noted resolutions would provide voters the opportunity to decide whether or not to approve the proposed increase.

**ACTION: Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Councilmember Carroll, to:**

- 1) Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 25-35 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNUAL LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS AND BALLOTING PROCEDURES TO LEVY PROPOSED NEW OR INCREASED ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE LANDSCAPE, LIGHTING AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF DIVISION 15 OF THE CALIFORNIA STREETS AND HIGHWAY CODE AND ORDERING THE ENGINEER TO PREPARE AND FILE AN ENGINEER’S REPORT
- 2) Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 25-36 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS, BALLOT FOR NEW/ INCREASED ASSESSMENTS AND PRELIMINARY APPROVE THE ANNUAL ENGINEER’S REPORT FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE LANDSCAPE, LIGHTING AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26

3) Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 25-37 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS AND TO BALLOT OWNERS IN THE CITY OF IRVINE LANDSCAPE, LIGHTING AND PARK MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR A NEW/INCREASED ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 AND TO APPOINT A TIME AND PLACE FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THESE MATTERS AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THE BALLOTING PROCEDURES

**The motion carried as follows:**

AYES: 4 COUNCILMEMBERS: Go, Liu, Treseder, and Agran  
 NOES: 2 COUNCILMEMBERS: Carroll and Mai  
 ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None  
 ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

**3.2 AUTHORIZING ADVANCEMENT OF THE IRVINE CARES AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVE BY APPROPRIATING \$900,000 IN HOMELESS HOUSING ASSISTANCE & PREVENTION (HHAP) FUNDS AND DIRECTING THE ASSESSMENT AND PURSUIT OF STRATEGIC REGULATORY ADJUSTMENTS TO ACCELERATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS TARGETED AT A LOCAL IRVINE-CONNECTED POPULATION**

Heather Dion, Chief Health & Wellness Director, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Oliver Chi, City Manager, also responded to questions.

Susan Sayre, Irvine resident, spoke in support of the City providing prevention, recovery, and ongoing support services, including Americans with Disabilities Act adaptable units, access to mental health and addiction services, affordable housing units, and homeless shelters.

Liz Cabrera Spencer, Chief Executive Officer of AMP Legacy, spoke in support of the proposed Irvine Cares affordable housing initiatives.

Dorothy Solinger inquired about the City’s plan to achieve its Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals.

City Council discussion included: questioning the number of families with children in the Irvine Unified School District experiencing unstable housing situations; inquired about participation at the last food distribution event; discussed the capturing of data on students who do not currently receive free lunch; requested updates related to housing students on vacant land; inquired about communication with Tustin Unified School District; and questioned the potential to provide assistance for homebound seniors.

**ACTION: Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Vice Mayor Mai, to:**

- 1) Approve a budget appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 in Homeless Housing Assistance & Prevention Round 4 funding to support the Irvine Cares Family Housing Assistance Program.
- 2) Approve a budget appropriation of \$250,000 in Homeless Housing Assistance & Prevention Round 4 funding to Irvine Valley College for the Irvine Cares Housing for Higher Learning Initiative.
- 3) Approve a budget appropriation of \$150,000 in Homeless Housing Assistance & Prevention Round 4 funding to Stand Up For Kids for the Road Map to Success Program.
- 4) Authorize and direct staff to pursue new measures and strategies aimed at accelerating targeted affordable housing developments to serve a local Irvine-connected resident population, including establishment of local housing preference policies; updating our affordable housing in-lieu program; and assessing options that would housing in-lieu program; and assessing options that would maximize affordable housing opportunities for Irvine-based populations of need utilizing City owned land.

**The motion carried as follows:**

AYES: 5 COUNCILMEMBERS: Go, Liu, Mai, Treseder, and Agran

NOES: 1 COUNCILMEMBERS: Carroll

ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

**3.3 ANNUAL REPORT ON THE POLICE USE OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT ASSEMBLY BILL 481**

Daniel Hall, Police Lieutenant, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Michael Kent, Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police, was also available for questions.

City Council discussion included: providing historical background and rationale for the associated state legal requirements; and noted concerns related to the associated state law.

**ACTION: Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Vice Mayor Mai, to receive and file.**

**The motion carried as follows:**

AYES: 5 COUNCILMEMBERS: Go, Liu, Mai, Treseder, and Agran

NOES: 1 COUNCILMEMBERS: Carroll

ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

**3.4 CITYWIDE PROGRAM EXPANSION OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS**

Wyatt Sing, Traffic Engineering Administrator, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Kerwin Lau, Deputy Director of Transportation, and Jeff Melching, City Attorney, also responded to questions.

Byron Luoma and Steve Palm, Irvine residents, spoke in support of the Citywide program expansion of preferential parking districts.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the definition of "equitable access"; questioned the scope of the expansion; inquired about charging for parking at the Great Park; noted impacts on parking by state laws; and inquired about application and one-time fees for parking permits.

**ACTION: Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Councilmember Go, and unanimously carried to:**

- 1) Approve and authorize staff to implement the Implementation Strategy for a citywide preferential parking district program.
- 2) Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 25-08 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 8 OF DIVISION 3 OF TITLE 6 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE
- 3) Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 25-38 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE IRVINE PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND ESTABLISHING CITYWIDE PREFERENTIAL PERMIT PARKING FEES

**3.5 CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY COUNCILMEMBER LIU TO DISCUSS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PERMANENT LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER IN DISTRICT 1**

This item was agendaized at the request of Councilmember Liu, who asked for City Council consideration regarding the establishment of a permanent library/community center in Council District 1.

Oliver Chi, City Manager, and Jeff Melching, City Attorney, responded to questions.

Ankur Parikh, Woodbridge High School student, spoke in support of a permanent library in Council District 1.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the scope of the proposed facility; noted current library conditions and other districts with existing library services; suggested a holistic review of library services in the City; inquired about the transition of library services at Katie Wheeler Library and a successor branch; and noted the lack of a library and community center in Council District 6.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Liu, seconded by Mayor Agran, to:**

Direct the City Manager to engage in comprehensive analysis to identify available locations and options, including but not limited to, resources, timeline, fiscal impact, community input, and other relevant factors, for establishing a permanent City library and community center facility in Council District 1, and to return to the City Council with their findings within the next 120 days.

**ACTION: A friendly amendment was made by Councilmember Carroll, accepted by Councilmember Liu as the maker and Mayor Agran as the seconder, and unanimously carried to:**

Direct the City Manager to engage in comprehensive analysis to identify available locations and options, including but not limited to, resources, timeline, fiscal impact, community input, and other relevant factors, for establishing a permanent City library and community center facility in Council District 1; prepare a citywide analysis of the adequacy of locations and suitability of library services; and to return to the City Council with findings within the next 120 days.

**3.6 CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY VICE MAYOR MAI TO DISCUSS AN ASSESSMENT OF OPTIONS TO EXPAND DISABILITY CARE SERVICES**

This item was agendaized at the request of Vice Mayor Mai, who asked for City Council consideration regarding an assessment of options to expand disability care services.

Susan Sayre and Alan Meyerson, Irvine residents, spoke in support.

City Council discussion included: summarizing the motivation for expanding disability care services; and inquired about potential financial impacts related to implementation.

**ACTION:** Moved by Vice Mayor Mai, seconded by Mayor Agran, to:

Direct the City Manager to explore options to enhance disability services with an emphasis on reimagining the programming to include families and helping children transitioning to adulthood.

Following discussion, Vice Mayor Mai amended his motion.

**ACTION: Moved by Vice Mayor Mai, seconded by Mayor Agran, and unanimously carried to:**

Direct the City Manager to explore options to enhance disability services with an emphasis on reimagining the programming to include families and helping children transitioning to adulthood; and direct staff to return to the City Council with a report, including findings and recommended changes, within 120 days.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Councilmember Carroll, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m.**

  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

May 13, 2025