



MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

November 28, 2023
City Council Chamber
1 Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, CA 92606

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Irvine City Council was called to order at 1:08 p.m. on November 28, 2023, in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor Khan presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5	Councilmember:	Larry Agran
	Councilmember:	Mike Carroll
	Councilmember:	Kathleen Treseder
	Vice Mayor:	Tammy Kim
	Mayor:	Farrah N. Khan

1. STUDY SESSION

1.1 DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE MODIFICATIONS TO THE CITY'S LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

Jeff Melching, City Attorney, provided a brief presentation and responded to questions. Oliver Chi, City Manager, also responded to questions.

The following individuals spoke in support of strengthening the City's Lobbyist Ordinance:

- Harvey Liss, Irvine resident
- Jeremy Ficarola, Irvine resident
- Doug Elliott, Irvine resident
- Branda Lin, Irvine resident

City Council discussion included: inquiring about lobbyist registration and enforcement processes in comparison to other cities; requested clarification related to the definitions of "lobbyist," "lobbying," "municipal question," and "compensation threshold;" inquired about what information is reportable; suggested lowering compensation thresholds; discussed differences between for-profit and non-profit organizations as they relate to lobbying activities; suggested that a modified ordinance would not discourage future registrants; and inquired about next steps in developing a revised ordinance.

By consensus, received and filed.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Treseder, seconded by Vice Mayor Kim, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 2:20 p.m.



CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE



MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

January 9, 2024