



## MINUTES

### CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

**October 8, 2024**  
**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 4:04 p.m. on October 8, 2024, in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor Khan presiding.

#### ROLL CALL

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

\* Councilmember Carroll arrived at 6:57 p.m.

#### 1. CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Melching announced the following Closed Session item:

**1.1 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54956.8) - Property: APNs 43007204, 43008201, 43008206; Agency Negotiators: Oliver Chi, City Manager; Pete Carmichael, Assistant City Manager; Jeffrey Melching, City Attorney; Negotiating Parties: City of Irvine; Bo Prock, Director of Acquisitions, Pacific Industrial; Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment**

There were no requests to speak.

## **RECESS**

Mayor Khan recessed the City Council meeting to Closed Session at 4:07 p.m.

## **RECONVENE TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Khan reconvened the City Council meeting at 5:05 p.m. City Attorney Melching, on behalf of the City Council, announced that no reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Mayor Agran led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **INVOCATION**

Mayor Khan provided the invocation.

## **2. PRESENTATIONS**

### **2.1 *Proclaim October 20-26, 2024, as “Red Ribbon Week”***

Mayor Khan introduced the following individuals, and presented a proclamation recognizing October 20-26, 2024, as “Red Ribbon Week”:

- Erin Timberman, Coordinator of Student Services, Irvine Unified School District
- Lynda Yoon-Bitz, Vice President of Programming, Irvine Unified Council of Parent Teacher Associations
- Lieutenant Sean-Paul Crawford and Youth Services Officers, Irvine Police Department

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS**

The following individuals spoke in opposition to an alleged inappropriate relationship between Councilmember Kim and Orange County Power Authority Boardmember, Fred Jung:

- Aida
- “Recall Tammy”
- Samar

Mona spoke in support of a City Council investigation into what occurs when someone reports a hate crime or incident, including doxing, and in opposition to Councilmember Kim’s disregard for family values.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the potential closure of Motion Fitness Group (MFG) gym:

- Amanda House, Irvine resident and MFG member
- Alexandria Nguyen
- Kenny Nguyen, MFG co-owner
- Scott Perry, MFG co-owner
- Cameron Shim, MFG manager
- Rheann Gutierrez, MFG employee
- Cassidy Salido, MFG employee

Wing Chow, Irvine resident, spoke in support of: 1) fair, honest, and transparent elections; 2) a requirement for ballot designations to reflect candidates' full-time employment; 3) City sponsorship of candidate forums; and 4) City precautions to protect against infiltration by the Chinese Community Party or Chinese government into local government.

Sonia spoke in opposition to antisemitism and unequal treatment related to the presenting of videos during City Council meetings.

Jason Garshfield spoke 1) in opposition to Vice Mayor Agran's support of a cease fire in Gaza, 2) in support of City Councilmembers calling out antisemitic speech, and 3) in opposition to pursuit of a noise complaint against a gym while not addressing leaf blowers.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the presentation of a video by a member of the public during the City Council meeting of September 24, 2024, and previous comments by Vice Mayor Agran when allowing similar speech:

- Karl K.
- Staci
- EJ

Wendy spoke in opposition to the use of Irvine Community News & Views as a campaign mailer.

Sandi spoke in opposition to Vice Mayor Agran's allowance of antisemitic speech in the City Council Chamber.

Karen J. spoke in opposition to hate speech at City Council meetings, and the presentation of a video by a member of the public during the City Council meeting of September 24, 2024.

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, spoke in support of increasing the wage of unrepresented, part-time employees to \$20 an hour.

Ron Scolesdang, Irvine resident, spoke in support of Motion Fitness Group, and in support of additional security where an individual was attacked on their driveway.

Lurette Forrest, Irvine resident, spoke in support of a \$20 per hour living wage and in opposition to fundraising practices by Councilmember Kim.

Julie H. spoke in opposition to the allowance of hate speech in the Council Chamber.

Sarah spoke in opposition to the misuse of Orange County Power Authority (OCPA) finances for certain expenditures by Councilmembers Kim and Treseder.

Jack Walker spoke in support of commemorating the crimes against humanity that were committed in Gaza on October 7, 2023, and in opposition to the lack of sympathy and support shown for the Jewish community.

Doug Elliott, Irvine resident and Community Services Commissioner, spoke in support of increased disclosure requirements related to independent campaign expenditure mailers.

Im spoke 1) in opposition to members of the public speaking under Proclamations on unrelated matters, 2) in support of non-mainstream faiths for the invocation and holding a moment of silence when faith leaders are unavailable, 3) in opposition to Councilmembers providing the invocation, and 4) in opposition to comments related to the alleged inappropriate relationship by Councilmember Kim.

Scott Hansen spoke in support of the City working with Irvine Company to convert thousands of existing units to affordable housing, and suggested that the State of California provide for a more favorable deal to meet Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) requirements.

(949) \*\*\*-\*347 spoke in opposition to Councilmember Kim's role in awarding a contract for Level 2 electric vehicle chargers.

Raj Bhatia, Irvine resident, spoke in support of previous actions by Vice Mayor Agran.

Lulu Hammad spoke in support of an investigation into Councilmember Kim's alleged misuse of OCPA tax dollars, and in opposition to her refusal to support a resolution calling for a cease fire in Gaza.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

There was no report.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL REPORTS**Mayor Khan

- Mayor Khan visited Seocho-gu, South Korea, a Sister City, to attend its annual Seoripul Festival and meet with Mayor Sung Soo Jun and his team. In addition, the City delegation met with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Kingston, England, and several Korean Congress members. The festival highlighted the importance of music and provided an opportunity for local organizations to showcase their work and resources; and included the world's largest sketch book, crafts for attendees, and an outdoor library full of books. The delegation also visited the City's Civil Service Center and Real Time Crime Center.
- Members of the public are invited to celebrate Halloween during the Monster Splash event on Saturday, October 26, at William Woollett Jr. Aquatics Center. In addition to trick-or-treating around the pool decks, there will be a floating pumpkin patch and decorating station. Attendees will be able to take photos with spooky friends, tackle a chilling challenge with an inflatable obstacle course, or take a plunge in the heated pool. Food will also be available for purchase. Registration is required. For more information, visit [cityofirvine.org/monstersplash](http://cityofirvine.org/monstersplash).
- The City of Irvine will conduct two community meetings to gather feedback from residents on how federal funds may be used to address the community's high priority needs. The first meeting is scheduled to be held virtually on Wednesday, October 23, at 6 p.m. The second meeting will take place on Thursday, October 24, at 10 a.m. at Las Lomas Community Center. Feedback gathered at these meetings will shape the City's Consolidated Plan, a comprehensive assessment of the City's short- and long-term housing and community development needs, including housing, homelessness, economic development, and public services, such as health and human service programs. In addition, community members are invited to take the online survey to provide their feedback. To learn more about the Consolidated Plan, take the survey, and register for the virtual meeting, visit [cityofirvine.org/cdbg](http://cityofirvine.org/cdbg).
- The City of Irvine will participate in the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration's "National Prescription Drug Take Back Day" on Saturday, October 26, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. This free service, which allows the public to anonymously discard prescription medications, addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Residents are encouraged to bring expired and unwanted medication to the Irvine Police Department or Hoag Health Center on Sand Canyon Avenue. Improper disposal of unused or expired medications can be hazardous to public safety, public health, and the environment. For more information, visit [cityofirvine.org](http://cityofirvine.org).

- Ballots for the November 5 General Municipal Election have been mailed to registered voters, and completed ballots can be returned by mail or at a secure Ballot Drop Box anywhere in Orange County. Voters will be able to cast their ballots at any Orange County Vote Center beginning Saturday, October 26. Three Vote Centers will open in Irvine on October 26, with an additional 12 Vote Centers opening on November 2. This is the City's first district-based election, and Irvine residents will notice some changes on their ballots with this transition. Voters in every district will have the opportunity to elect a Mayor for a two-year term. Voters in District 1 will elect a Councilmember for a two-year term. Voters in Districts 2, 3, and 4 will elect a Councilmember for a four-year term. Voters in Districts 5 and 6 will vote for a Councilmember to represent their district in November 2026. Until then, residents will continue to be represented by Councilmembers at-large. To help voters find their district and discover key features and facilities within it, the City has launched a voting district dashboard. To access the interactive tool, visit [cityofirvine.org/yourdistrict](http://cityofirvine.org/yourdistrict). For more information on the election, visit [cityofirvine.org/election](http://cityofirvine.org/election).

#### Councilmember Kim

- Councilmember Kim spoke in opposition to misogyny faced by women in leadership.
- On October 12 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., the Orange County Fire Authority will host an open house at four different fire stations in Irvine to provide an opportunity for members of the public to see how the fire stations operate and meet those who keep the City safe. For information on participating stations, visit [ocfa.org](http://ocfa.org).

#### Vice Mayor Agran

- Vice Mayor Agran expressed appreciation to the City staff and partners at PSQ Productions for their contributions and efforts that have resulted in the successful launch of Great Park Live. In a few months, Great Park Live has hosted over 25 events ranging from the Pacific Symphony to City-wide celebrations, including the Global Village Festival, and will begin featuring national touring artists later in the month.

#### Councilmember Treseder

- Councilmember Treseder provided a brief update on the Newport Bay Watershed Executive Committee, which tracks pollution levels going into the bay. Although targets for nitrogen and phosphorus pollution were met, urban areas showed pollution exceeding legally allowable levels, which is being addressed. The trend of nitrogen pollution that has washed into the bay steadily decreasing since 1994 has continued due to the natural water treatment marsh in the City. A recent survey by a UC Riverside laboratory noted that there are approximately 20 billion pieces of microplastics that go into the bay every year.

## ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

### 3. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

#### Item 3.2

Hope spoke in support of the Down Syndrome Awareness Month proclamation and in opposition to an attack by an Israeli military dog that killed a Palestinian man with Down Syndrome in Gaza.

Sarah spoke in support of the Hangul Day proclamation and noted perceived similarities between historical treatment of Koreans by Japan to that of Palestinians by Israel.

Wendy and Carol spoke in support of the Red Ribbon Week proclamation, and in opposition to prior actions by Vice Mayor Agran and hate speech at City Council meetings.

Allison, Orange County educator, spoke in support of the Red Ribbon Week proclamation.

Jason Garshfield spoke in support of the Red Ribbon Week proclamation, and in opposition to drug trafficking by Hezbollah and drug use by Hamas.

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, spoke in support of speakers on proclamations staying on topic.

#### Item 3.5

Peggy Madrid, Executive Vice President of the Community Affairs Committee at the Meadows Mobile Home Park, spoke in support of the establishment of the Meadows Resident Assistance Program.

#### Item 3.6

Tim Wang spoke in support of addressing pedestrian concerns such as crosswalk wait times as part of the Sand Canyon Avenue Traffic Signal Synchronization project.

Item 3.13

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, spoke in support of modifications to the Lobbying Ordinance.

**Moved by Councilmember Kim, seconded by Mayor Khan, and unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3.1 through 3.13, with the exception of Consent Calendar Item No. 3.5, which was removed for separate discussion.**

**3.1 MINUTES**

**ACTION:**

Approved the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council held on September 10, 2024.

**3.2 PROCLAMATIONS**

**ACTION:**

- 1) Proclaimed October 2024, as "Filipino American History Month."
- 2) Proclaimed October 2024, as "Down Syndrome Awareness Month."
- 3) Proclaimed October 2024, as "Breast Cancer Awareness Month."
- 4) Proclaimed October 2024, as "Hindu American Awareness and Appreciation Month."
- 5) Proclaimed October 2024, as "National Disability Employment Awareness Month."
- 6) Proclaimed October 2024, as "Community Planning Month."
- 7) Proclaimed October 9, 2024, as "Hangul Day."
- 8) Proclaimed October 20-26, 2024, as "Red Ribbon Week."

**3.3 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

**ACTION:**

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 24-75 - 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

**3.4 CONTRACT AWARD FOR ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION**

**ACTION:**

- 1) Approved and authorized the Mayor to execute an agreement with Cognizant Worldwide Limited, LLC., for Enterprise Resource Planning software implementation and post go-live support for a three-year period not to exceed \$5,110,000. **(Contract No. 21676)**
- 2) Approved a budget adjustment for FY 2024-25 of \$1,679,500 in the Strategic Technology Plan Fund for the implementation, contingency, and staff augmentation.
- 3) Delegated authority to the City Manager to approve and effectuate any necessary amendments and change orders.

**3.5 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT TO ESTABLISH THE MEADOWS RESIDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

This item was removed for separate discussion at the request of Councilmember Kim, who inquired about details on administration of the program.

Oliver Chi, City Manager, and Brian King, Assistant City Manager, responded to questions. Keri Bullock, Health & Wellness Officer, was also available for questions.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the entity responsible for disbursement of funds; questioned the verification of repair costs; inquired about whether the item had been reviewed by the Finance Commission; questioned the funding source for the proposed budget adjustment; inquired about receipt-based reimbursements versus one-time grants; questioned the rationale for not administering the program through Jamboree Housing or property management; inquired about additional staff costs; questioned the time period and duration of the program; suggested a progress report on program implementation at an upcoming meeting; and inquired about liability concerns as they relate to potential disputes between contractors and residents.

**ACTION:** Moved by Councilmember Carroll to:

Overrule the Mayor’s decision to allow a representative from Jamboree Housing to speak.

The motion failed for lack of second.

Kelsey Brewer, Vice President of Business Development and Government Affairs for Jamboree Housing, responded to questions.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Mayor Khan, and unanimously carried to:**

Approve a budget adjustment in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 from the City's Asset Management Plan for the Meadows Resident Assistance Program.

**3.6 MEASURE M2 COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATIONS**

**ACTION:**

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 24-76 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY FOR FUNDING UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PROGRAMS

**3.7 COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF TUSTIN FOR JAMBOREE ROAD AND IRVINE BOULEVARD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

**ACTION:**

- 1) Approved Cooperative Agreement for Jamboree/Irvine Intersection Improvement Project between the cities of Irvine and Tustin. **(Contract No. 11974)**
- 2) Authorized the Director of Public Works & Sustainability to sign and execute the subject agreement.

**3.8 NOTICE OF PENDING APPROVAL FOR TRACT MAPS IN GREAT PARK NEIGHBORHOODS**

**ACTION:**

Received and filed.

**3.9 AWARD OF ON-CALL CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT (CITYWIDE)**

**ACTION:**

Awarded an on-call construction contract in the amount of \$8,100,137.75 for Concrete Improvements (citywide), to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Pub Construction Inc. **(Contract No. 21639)**

**3.10 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT AND AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE HARVARD AVENUE AND MICHELSON DRIVE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**ACTION:**

- 1) Approved a budget adjustment appropriating \$600,000 in Irvine Business Complex (IBC) Fees and \$306,311 in M2-ICE Program Construction funds to Harvard Avenue and Michelson Drive Intersection Improvements, CIP 311906.
- 2) Awarded a construction contract in the amount of \$3,647,251.50 for the Harvard Avenue and Michelson Drive Intersection Improvements project, CIP 311906, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Sully-Miller Contracting. **(Contract No. 21502)**

**3.11 AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR ANNUAL BRIDGE MAINTENANCE PROJECT**

**ACTION:**

Awarded a construction contract in the amount of \$600,000 for the Annual Bridge Maintenance project, CIP 322201 and 322501, to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, American Civil Constructors West Coast LLC. **(Contract No. 21408)**

**3.12 PORTOLA SPRINGS COMMUNITY PARK INDIGENOUS INTERPRETIVE SPACE PROJECT**

**ACTION:**

Approved a budget appropriation in the amount of \$500,000 to establish a capital improvement project for the Indigenous interpretive space at Portola Springs Community Park's Native American garden.

**3.13 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 24-16 MODIFYING THE CITY LOBBYING ORDINANCE**

**ACTION:**

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 24-16 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 1, DIVISION 7, AND TITLE 1, DIVISION 6, OF THE CITY OF IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO LOBBYING

(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.**

**4. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**4.1 PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMUNITY INPUT FOR 2025-2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND 2025-2026 ACTION PLAN**

Mayor Khan opened the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

Keri Bullock, Health & Wellness Officer, and Sarah Escobedo, Management Analyst, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

There were no requests to speak.

There was no City Council discussion.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Kim, seconded by Councilmember Carroll, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.**

**By consensus**, received and filed.

**4.2 OVERRULE THE ORANGE COUNTY AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION'S DETERMINATION OF INCONSISTENCY REGARDING THE 2045 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**

Mayor Khan opened the public hearing at 7:29 p.m.

Alyssa Matheus, Principal Planner, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Marika Poynter, Manager of Planning Services, was also available for questions.

Matt Friedman, Chief of the Office of Aviation Planning in the Caltrans Division of Aeronautics, and Pam Wykoff spoke in opposition to overruling the Orange County Airport Land Use Commission's determination of inconsistency regarding the 2045 General Plan Update.

Doug Elliott, Irvine resident and Community Services Commissioner, spoke in support of overruling the Orange County Airport Land Use Commission’s determination of inconsistency regarding the 2045 General Plan Update.

There was no City Council discussion.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Councilmember Treseder, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 7:39 p.m.**

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Kim, seconded by Mayor Khan, to:**

Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 24-77 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, FINDING THE 2045 GENERAL PLAN (FILE NO. 00921398-PGA) AND ASSOCIATED ZONE CHANGE (FILE NOS. 00938046-PZC AND 00928638-PZC) CONSISTENT WITH PURPOSES OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DIVISION OF AERONAUTICS ACT AND OVERRULING THE ORANGE COUNTY AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION’S DETERMINATION THAT THE 2045 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE AND ASSOCIATED ZONE CHANGE ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE 2008 JOHN WAYNE AIRPORT ENVIRONS LAND USE PLAN

**The motion carried as follows:**

AYES: 4 COUNCILMEMBERS: Carroll, Kim, Treseder, and Khan

NOES: 1 COUNCILMEMBERS: Agran

ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

**4.3 ZONE CHANGE TO ADD FOCUS AREA 1 TO THE RESIDENTIAL AND RESIDENTIAL MIXED USE OVERLAY DISTRICT IN SUPPORT OF THE 2045 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE**

Mayor Khan opened the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

Alyssa Matheus, Principal Planner, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Marika Poynter, Manager of Planning Services, was also available for questions.

Doug Elliott, Irvine resident and Community Services Commissioner, spoke in support of the zone change to add Focus Area 1 to the residential and residential mixed use overlay district in support of the 2024 General Plan Update.

There was no City Council discussion.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Kim, seconded by Councilmember Carroll, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 7:46 p.m.**

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Kim, seconded by Councilmember Treseder, to:**

Introduce for the first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 24-17 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00938046-PZC TO AMEND CHAPTER 5-9 OF THE IRVINE ZONING ORDINANCE TO EXPAND THE RESIDENTIAL AND RESIDENTIAL MIXED USE OVERLAY DISTRICT TO INCLUDE FOCUS AREA 1 IN SUPPORT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE 2045 GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

**The motion carried as follows:**

AYES:	4	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Carroll, Kim, Treseder, and Khan
NOES:	1	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Agran
ABSENT:	0	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None
ABSTAIN:	0	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Councilmember Treseder, seconded by Councilmember Kim, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.**

  
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 CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

  
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 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

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November 12, 2024