



**MINUTES**

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

**July 11, 2023  
Council Chamber  
1 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 4:04 p.m. on July 11, 2023, in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor/Chairwoman Khan presiding.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**1. SCOPING SESSION**

**1.1 SCOPING SESSION FOR A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT FOR GATEWAY PRESERVE LOCATED IN PLANNING AREA 6 (PORTOLA SPRINGS); FILED BY CITY OF IRVINE**

Bill Rodrigues, Principal Planner, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the anticipated timeline for project completion and next steps, including cessation of operations at All American Asphalt, visual changes to the area, and public accessibility; questioned what could be done concurrently during the entitlement process in order to expedite progress; and inquired about any coordination with the County, if needed.

**By consensus**, received and filed.

## **RECESS**

Mayor Khan recessed the City Council meeting at 4:22 p.m.

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

Mayor Khan reconvened the City Council meeting at 5:05 p.m.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilmember Carroll led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **INVOCATION**

Sarah Halverson-Cano from Irvine United Congregational Church provided the invocation.

## **2. PRESENTATIONS**

### **2.1 *Proclaim July 2023, as "Park and Recreation Month"***

Mayor Khan introduced Chris Slama, Director of Community Services, and other members of the Community Services Department and presented a proclamation recognizing July 2023, as "Park and Recreation Month."

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

The following individuals requested City Council assistance related to a notice to vacate received by WeCompost2:

- John Craig
- Tami Halle
- Dominique Woods
- Saini Kannan, Irvine resident

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, spoke in support of bringing back free concerts at Great Park, and inquired about the status of security cameras at Lakeview Senior Center.

Gil Nelsen, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to the Orange County Power Authority (OCPA) and its lack of leadership by the City's representatives on the Board to lower rates.

Kacey Donner, AmeriCorps Fellow and of California Climate Action Corps, spoke in support of starting community compost hubs on City blocks modeled after the Cool Irvine and Cool OC programs.

Brooke Yeh, Irvine resident and University High School student, spoke in support of strong regulations pertaining to solid waste and plastic.

Dee Fox, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to Vice Mayor Kim's Community Partnership Fund Grant Nomination to the Korean American Federation of Orange County.

Hoiyin Ip, Irvine resident, spoke in support of banning single use plastics and other related items.

Following the public comment period, Councilmember Agran inquired about the dispute between Farm + Food Lab operators and WeCompost2, to which City Manager Chi provided an update on staff efforts to coordinate a response and achieve a resolution, noting that briefings for Councilmembers would be provided as the situation unfolded.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

There was no report.

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

### Mayor Khan

- Last week, in collaboration with the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) and Irvine Police Department (IPD), Mayor Khan hosted a fire safety town hall at Portola Springs Community Center, which provided information on efforts in preparation of anticipated fires, and provided tools for members of the community to help keep themselves safe. The session was livestreamed and made available on Mayor Khan's Facebook and Instagram pages.
- Rail service that was suspended due to the landslides in San Clemente will resume on July 17. Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), Metrolink, and the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency worked together to build a temporary barrier wall to protect the railroad track, allowing for service to safely resume. Metrolink passengers can get more information at [metrolinktrains.com/service/update](https://metrolinktrains.com/service/update). Pacific Surfliner passengers can get more information at [pacificsurfliner.com/alerts](https://pacificsurfliner.com/alerts).

- A ribbon cutting ceremony took place earlier in the day to celebrate the 166 new Level 2 Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers at Great Park. These EV chargers reflect the City's commitment to prioritizing sustainability at Great Park and becoming carbon neutral. The chargers are located in Lots 4, 5, and 6. EV chargers can be used by scanning the QR code on the chargers and making a payment through the portal. To learn more about the new EV chargers and additional EV resources, visit [cityofirvine.org/driveelectric](http://cityofirvine.org/driveelectric).
- Community members are invited to celebrate the reopening of the Cattle Camp at Bommer Canyon Preserve on Saturday, July 15, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The original site was built in 1967 and became in need of repairs due to its age and outdoor exposure. The renovated Bommer Canyon Preserve includes a major restoration of the Cattle Camp, featuring:
  - An event space, stage, and backstage room
  - A newly renovated Chuck Wagon kitchen with modern amenities
  - New picnic tables and ADA accessible pathways, and more.

Members of the public are invited to participate in a hike at the event and meet with environmental organizations. For more information, visit [cityofirvine.org/BommerCanyonPreserve](http://cityofirvine.org/BommerCanyonPreserve).

- All Media 2023, the Irvine Fine Arts Center's annual juried exhibition, opened this past weekend, featuring artwork by 67 artists working across all visual creative disciplines. The exhibition features contemporary approaches to landscape, portraiture, abstraction, photo-documentation, assemblage, and social commentary by an intergenerational group of artists. All Media will be on display at the Irvine Fine Arts Center through September 30. To learn more, visit [irvinefinearts.org/AllMedia](http://irvinefinearts.org/AllMedia).
- Upcoming Summer in the City events include the following:
  - Saturday, July 15, is the last opportunity for members of the public to enjoy a summer movie at Great Park. Minions: The Rise of Gru will begin at dusk and be shown on the outdoor big screen. Participants are encouraged to bring low-back chairs, blankets, and a picnic, or purchase treats from gourmet food trucks, which arrive at 6:30 p.m., and a snack bar.
  - The Sizzlin' Summer Concert series will kick off on Saturday, July 22, at Mike Ward Community Park – Woodbridge. The series runs through August and offers a variety of music, from country rock and dance hits to classic soul and orchestra music. Concerts begin at 5:30 p.m. and guests can bring picnic-style treats or purchase snacks from gourmet food trucks.

- The Summer Dance Party will be held at Great Park on Saturday, August 12, from 6 to 9:30 p.m. The public is invited to an '80s throwback evening with a DJ and live music, and food trucks will be available on-site to purchase snacks and drinks.

All events are free and no tickets or pre-registration are required. For more information, visit [cityofirvine.org/summer](http://cityofirvine.org/summer).

#### Councilmember Carroll

- The Amphitheater Subcommittee met last week with representatives of Live Nation, and, along with the City Manager, made significant progress.
- Councilmember Carroll also suggested that an item be agendaized at the next Board meeting to understand the issues between the Farm + Food Lab and WeCompost2; and a presentation about past Great Park concerts noted by Irvine resident Alan Meyerson.

#### Councilmember Agran

- The Office of Councilmember Agran will host a volunteer event at Harvest Solutions Farm on Thursday, July 27 from 7:30 a.m. to noon. Volunteers will contribute to the impactful work done by Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County, a leader in combating food insecurity throughout the county. Over 370,000 individuals, including nearly 125,000 children, rely on Second Harvest Food Bank services every month. To learn more, and to register, visit [councilmemberlarryagran.org](http://councilmemberlarryagran.org).

#### Vice Mayor Kim

- As the City's representative to the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District, Vice Mayor Kim reminded residents to eliminate standing water around their homes to prevent breeding grounds for mosquitoes. For more information, visit [OCVector.org](http://OCVector.org).
- Vice Mayor Kim joined Rob Bonta and other officials to celebrate the inauguration of the Orange County Asian American Bar Association (OCAABA), their new president, Jessica Cha, and the rest of the 2023-24 executive board this past week. OCAABA mentors local law students, volunteers for legal clinics for low-income and disadvantaged residents, and supports causes which effect and advance the needs of the Asian-Pacific Islander community and the public at large.

- Vice Mayor Kim provided a brief update related to the Orange County Power Authority (OCPA), noting that she and Councilmember Treseder have been working to ensure that the agency was offering the lowest rates possible while maintaining a healthy balance. Vice Mayor Kim also expressed her continued willingness to serve on the OCPA Board.

### **ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

### **CONVENE TO THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING**

Mayor/Chairwoman Khan convened the regular joint meeting of the City Council with the City of Irvine as Successor Agency to the dissolved Irvine Redevelopment Agency at 5:53 p.m.

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

There were no requests to speak.

### **3. CONSENT CALENDAR - CITY COUNCIL**

**Moved by Councilmember/Boardmember Carroll, seconded by Vice Mayor/Vice Chairwoman Kim, and unanimously carried to approve City Council Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3.1 through 3.4, and Successor Agency Consent Calendar Item Nos. 4.1 and 4.2.**

#### **3.1 MINUTES**

**ACTION:**

Approved the minutes of a regular meeting of the Irvine City Council, regular joint meeting with the City of Irvine as Successor Agency to the dissolved Irvine Redevelopment Agency, and special joint meeting with the Great Park Board held on June 13, 2023.

#### **3.2 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

**ACTION:**

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 23-65 - 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

**3.3 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-13 REGARDING TECHNICAL UPDATES TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ZONING ORDINANCE**

**ACTION:**

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 23-13 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00898327-PZC TO AMEND THE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ZONING ORDINANCE BY PROVIDING NEW AND REVISED MUNICIPAL CODE AND ZONING PROVISIONS RELATED TO MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 5 PLANNING- DIVISION 5- SUBDIVISIONS- CHAPTER 1- IN GENERAL; TITLE 5 PLANNING- DIVISION 10- GRADING CODE AND ENCROACHMENT REGULATIONS- CHAPTER 1- GRADING CODE; TITLE 5- PLANNING- DIVISION 9- BUILDING REGULATIONS- CHAPTER 2- ADMINISTRATIVE CODE FOR BUILDING CODE REGULATIONS; TITLE 5- PLANNING- DIVISION 5- SUBDIVISIONS- CHAPTER 6- VESTING TENTATIVE MAPS: PROCESSING PROCEDURES; TITLE 5 PLANNING- DIVISION 5- SUBDIVISIONS- CHAPTER 10- DEDICATIONS; RESERVATIONS AND ZONING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 1-2, DEFINITIONS; CHAPTER 2-5, APPEAL AND CALL-UP REVIEW PROCEDURE; CHAPTER 2-14, HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT; CHAPTER 2-24, PUBLIC CONVENIENCE OR NECESSITY DETERMINATION; CHAPTER 2-28, SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS PERMIT; CHAPTER 2-37.5, WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITY PERMIT; CHAPTER 3-3, LAND USE MATRIX; CHAPTER 3-5, ACCESSORY STRUCTURES; CHAPTER 3-27, SETBACK STANDARDS; CHAPTER 3-31, SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM STANDARDS; CHAPTER 3-35, WALL AND FENCE STANDARDS; CHAPTER 3-37, ZONING DISTRICT AND LAND USE REGULATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS; CHAPTER 7-3, SIGN REGULATIONS; CHAPTER 9-1, PLANNING AREA 1 (ORCHARD HILLS); AND CHAPTER 9-4, PLANNING AREA 4 (LOWER PETERS CANYON)

(Unless otherwise directed by a Member of the City Council, the vote at second reading with 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 reflected. If a Councilmember is not present at the second reading/adoption, the vote will be acted as absent.)

**Approved 5-0.**

**3.4 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-14 UPDATING THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO PROJECT DELIVERY & SUSTAINABILITY**

**ACTION:**

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 23-14 - ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 6 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PROJECT DELIVERY & SUSTAINABILITY DEPARTMENTS AND PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS

(Unless otherwise directed by a Member of the City Council, the vote at second reading with 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 reflected. If a Councilmember is not present at the second reading/adoption, the vote will be acted as absent.)

**Approved 5-0.**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR - SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

**4.1 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 June 13, 2023.

**4.2 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION – CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE DISSOLVED IRVINE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**ACTION:**

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 23-04 – 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

**ADJOURNMENT - REGULAR JOINT MEETING**

Moved by Vice Mayor/Vice Chairwoman Kim, seconded by Councilmember/Boardmember Treseder, and unanimously carried, to adjourn the regular joint meeting with the Successor Agency at 5:56 p.m.

**RECONVENE TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Khan reconvened the City Council meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Following the reconvening of the City Council meeting, Mayor Khan reordered the agenda to consider Public Hearing Item No. 5.3 prior to Public Hearing Item Nos. 5.1 and 5.2.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**5.3 AMENDMENT TO IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 5-9-101 PERTAINING TO ADOPTION OF BUILDING AND FIRE CODES**

Mayor Khan opened the public hearing at 5:56 p.m.

Jesse Cardoza, Deputy Director of Community Development/Chief Building Official, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

There was no City Council discussion.

There were no requests to speak.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Vice Mayor Kim, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 6:01 p.m.**

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

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 23-16 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 101 OF CHAPTER 1 OF DIVISION 9 OF TITLE 5 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO ADOPTION OF BUILDING AND FIRE CODE REGULATIONS

**5.1 PUBLIC HEARING REQUESTING INPUT REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF POTENTIAL CITY COUNCIL ELECTION DISTRICTS (6 P.M.)**

Mayor Khan opened the public hearing at 6:02 p.m.

Brian King, Assistant City Manager; and Dr. Justin Levitt, Vice President, National Demographics Corporation (NDC), presented the staff report and responded to questions. Melissa Haley, Deputy City Manager, was also available for questions.

Susan Sayre, Irvine resident, spoke in support of keeping planning areas and villages together, necessary divisions being in newer areas, and in support of displaying maps on easels at community meetings to make it easy for members of the public to make comments.

Scott Perley, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to dividing the City into six districts, and in support of dividing it into four.

James Yardley, Irvine resident, suggested that the proposed ordinance being made available for public review.

Gil Nelsen, Irvine resident, spoke in support of district elections.

Doug Elliott, Irvine resident, spoke in support of Map No. 136.

Dee Fox, Irvine resident, noted her submittal of Map No. 112 and spoke in support of the mapping process, website, and Map Nos. 113, 117, 123, 126, and 137 that do not break up older communities.

Joshua Moore, Irvine resident, spoke in support of forming districts that provide equal representation to renters.

Zachary Griggy, noted his submittal of Map No. 143, spoke in support of Map Nos. 108, 114, 121, 130, 133, 143, and 144, and in opposition to the remaining maps.

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, expressed appreciation to NDC, and spoke in support of Map No. 136 and the districting process to date.

City Council discussion included: expressing appreciation to the community for submitting maps and to NDC for their efforts to date; inquired about the City's districting process in relation to other cities; questioned whether Map No. 144 had been submitted by NDC; inquired about whether the Asian population included the Iranian and Afghan communities; questioned which data sets were used by NDC in its analysis; inquired about the election sequence, and potential impact to

existing Councilmember terms and term limits; questioned whether existing Councilmembers would represent districts or the at-large population under their current terms; inquired about different scenarios for implementing district seats in 2022 and 2024; questioned the possibility of overlaying maps to compare villages to communities of interest in order to assess how districts were split; inquired about whether a report could be generated to rank maps using various criteria such as population deviation, ethnic community districts, compactness, and village splits; inquired about the availability of links on the districting website and the ability to adjust focus maps; expressed concern about potential gerrymandering; discussed map preferences and rationale for selecting such preferences; questioned whether Map No. 109 was still under consideration; inquired about the next public hearing date; questioned whether participation by councilmembers at upcoming workshops was permitted; and suggested that focus maps be displayed in the community for public input.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Vice Mayor Kim, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.**

**By consensus**, the City Council selected Map Nos. 126, 133, 135, 136, 138, and 144 as the six focus maps, and the incorporation of the northern districts identified in Map No. 109.

**5.2 GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONE CHANGE TO TRANSFER DEVELOPMENT INTENSITY AND IMPLEMENT ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT REVISIONS TO ALLOW MINI-WAREHOUSE USES IN PLANNING AREA 40 (CYPRESS VILLAGE, IRVINE SPECTRUM 8)**

Mayor Khan opened the public hearing at 8:01 p.m.

Stacy Tran, Senior Planner, and Bill Rodrigues, Principal Planner, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Jeff Davis, representing Irvine Company, also responded to questions.

City Council discussion included: suggesting the need for a master plan to create an attractive walkable entry into Great Park on Marine Way; and noted that the Marine Way entry would be considered at an upcoming Great Park or City Council meeting.

There were no requests to speak.

**ACTION: Moved by Vice Mayor Kim, seconded by Mayor Khan, and unanimously carried to close the public hearing at 8:13 p.m.**

**ACTION: Moved by Vice Mayor Kim, seconded by Councilmember Tresseder, and unanimously carried to:**

Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 23-66 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 00793825-PGA TO AMEND LAND USE ELEMENT TABLE A-1 OF THE IRVINE GENERAL PLAN TO REFLECT A TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT INTENSITY SQUARE FOOTAGE FROM MULTI-USE TO RESEARCH AND INDUSTRIAL IN PLANNING AREA 40 (CYPRESS VILLAGE, IRVINE SPECTRUM 8); FILED BY IRVINE COMPANY

**ACTION: Moved by Vice Mayor Kim, seconded by Mayor Khan, and unanimously carried to:**

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 23-15 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00793828-PZC TO AMEND SECTION 3-37-34 OF THE IRVINE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ADD MINI-WAREHOUSE AS A PERMITTED LAND USE AND INCREASE MAXIMUM SITE COVERAGE IN THE 5.5D MEDICAL AND SCIENCE ZONING DISTRICT; TO AMEND CHAPTER 9-40 BY REVISING THE STATISTICAL ANALYSIS TABLE AND TEXT TO REFLECT A TRANSFER OF SQUARE FOOTAGE FROM THE 3.1H MULTI-USE TO THE 5.5D MEDICAL AND SCIENCE ZONING DISTRICT, AND A TRANSFER OF SQUARE FOOTAGE FROM THE 5.4 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL TO THE 5.5D MEDICAL AND SCIENCE ZONING DISTRICT; AND TO ESTABLISH SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR MINI-WAREHOUSE IN THE 5.5D MEDICAL AND SCIENCE ZONING DISTRICT; LOCATED IN PLANNING AREA 40 (CYPRESS VILLAGE, IRVINE SPECTRUM 8); FILED BY IRVINE COMPANY

**6. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**6.1 AGREEMENT FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF OLIVER C. CHI AS CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF IRVINE**

Jeff Melching, City Attorney, presented the staff report.

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, spoke in support of the proposed agreement.

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed agreement.

City Council discussion included: expressing appreciation to City Manager Chi for his leadership.

**ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Treseder, seconded by Vice Mayor Kim, and unanimously carried to:**

- 1) Approve Amended and Restated Agreement For Employment Of City Manager Between City of Irvine and Oliver C. Chi. **(Contract No. 11680)**
- 2) ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 23-67 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE SALARY GRADE ORDER STRUCTURE AND SALARY RANGES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, AND SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. 23-54, WHICH IS INCONSISTENT THEREWITH

**6.2 APPROVAL OF CITY OF IRVINE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2013-3 (GREAT PARK) IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 10, 2023 SPECIAL TAX BONDS, ISSUANCE IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$120 MILLION**

Dahle Bulosan, Director of Administrative Services, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Sara Brown, representing Stifel Public Finance, also responded to questions; and Anna Sarabian, representing Fieldman Rolapp & Associates, was also available for questions.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about how the responsibilities of Heritage Fields would shift once the City's bond proceeds increased.

**ACTION: Moved by Mayor Khan, seconded by Vice Mayor Kim, and unanimously carried by those members present (Councilmember Carroll absent from the dais), to:**

Adopt RESOLUTION NO. 23-68 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, ACTING AS THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF CITY OF IRVINE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2013-3 (GREAT PARK) AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ITS IMPROVEMENT AREA NO. 10, 2023 SPECIAL TAX BONDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED TWENTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$120,000,000), AND APPROVING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND TAKING CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

### **6.3 GATEWAY PRESERVE NEXT STEPS**

Pete Carmichael, Assistant City Manager, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, spoke in support of the project.

City Council discussion included: expressing appreciation to the Irvine Ranch Conservancy and City staff for their efforts.

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

- 1) Establish the Gateway Project Fund from proceeds of the June 2023 \$326 million bond issuance and approve a budget appropriation in the amount of \$5,838,500 from the Gateway Project Fund for site preparation and environmental review of the Gateway Preserve and Residential Village.
- 2) Establish a Capital Improvement Project and approve a budget appropriation in the amount of \$669,852 from the Gateway Project Fund for off-site utility work necessary for the Gateway Residential Village and authorize the City Manager to execute a sole source contract approval for reimbursement of this work to be performed by the Irvine Company.
- 3) Approve a budget appropriation in the amount of \$200,000 from Gateway Project Fund to update the City's Recreation and Resource Management Plan to authorize the creation of the Gateway Preserve.
- 4) Authorize staff to negotiate a contract amendment with the Irvine Ranch Conservancy for the management of the Gateway Preserve.

**6.4      *ORDINANCE AMENDING THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO BICYCLES AND ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS ON ELECTRIC BICYCLES AND OTHER FORMS OF ELECTRIC TRANSPORTATION***

Matt McLaughlin, Police Lieutenant, and Jason Scheafer, Police Officer, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

The following individuals spoke in support of the ordinance as presented:

- Asila Sabouri
- Aryan Dahiya
- Bill Lewis

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the ordinance due to the ban on contraflow:

- Kyler Chin, Irvine resident and of Sunrise Movement
- Nathan Guerrero, Irvine resident and UCI student
- Dane Carstens
- James Huong

The following individuals spoke in support of protected bicycle lanes:

- Joshua Moore, Irvine resident
- Ayn Craciun, Climate Action Campaign
- Youssef Kaddeche, Irvine resident

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, questioned why e-bikes were not considered motorcycles, and in opposition to e-bikes traveling over 20 mph on bike paths.

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in support of the ordinance but in opposition to the portion that allowed e-bikes on sidewalks.

Tiffany, Irvine resident, spoke in support of electric bicycles, and in support of considering the needs of the disabled community; and expressed concern regarding prohibitions at low speeds.

Leeza Bondarchuk spoke in support of carbon neutrality.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the pilot program at high schools; discussed an amendment proposed by the Transportation Commission related to e-bike use on City sidewalks; inquired about the status and timeline related to the State's study on e-bike use; inquired about concerns related to enforcement; discussed a potential

requirement for a mandatory educational course prior to operating an e-bike on streets and pathways; questioned whether the ordinance would be adequate; inquired about whether the majority of e-bike operators traveled with the flow of traffic or against it; reiterated the need for safer bike lanes and sidewalks; questioned whether contraflow on sidewalks could be allowed at reduced speeds; inquired about whether the ordinance was applicable to the University of California, Irvine (UCI) campus; inquired about existing contraflow restrictions, if any, that apply to regular bicycles; and suggested an update by staff every three months.

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

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 23-17 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PORTIONS OF DIVISION 7 OF TITLE 4 AND SECTION 3-4-138 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO BICYCLES

**ACTION:** A friendly amendment was made by Councilmember Treseder to:

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 23-17 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PORTIONS OF DIVISION 7 OF TITLE 4 AND SECTION 3-4-138 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO BICYCLES as amended to remove the prohibition of contraflow on sidewalks (Section 4-7-210(E)).

The friendly amendment was not accepted by Vice Mayor Kim as the maker of the motion.

**ACTION:** A substitute motion was made by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Councilmember Agran, to:

Refer the item back to the Transportation Commission for an in-depth review and analysis consisting of applicable statistics, appendices, other related data, and community feedback via study sessions, and return to the City Council with a report from the Transportation Commission within 30 to 45 days for consideration.

The motion failed as follows:

AYES: 2 COUNCILMEMBERS: Agran and Carroll

NOES: 3 COUNCILMEMBERS: Kim, Treseder, and Khan

ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ACTION: A friendly amendment was made by Councilmember Carroll to:

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 23-17 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PORTIONS OF DIVISION 7 OF TITLE 4 AND SECTION 3-4-138 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO BICYCLES as amended to include the insertion of a new Section 4 that states the following: “The City intends that, to the extent otherwise allowed by law, these regulations apply in the entire City of Irvine, including the campuses of the University of California at Irvine, Irvine Valley College, and Concordia University Irvine.”

The friendly amendment was not accepted by Vice Mayor Kim as the maker of the motion.

ACTION: A substitute motion was made by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Councilmember Agran, to:

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 23-17 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PORTIONS OF DIVISION 7 OF TITLE 4 AND SECTION 3-4-138 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO BICYCLES as amended to include the insertion of a new Section 4 that states the following: “It is the intent of the City of Irvine that, to the extent allowed by law, the regulations in the ordinance will be applicable throughout the municipal boundaries of the City of Irvine, including on all college and university campuses in the City.”

The motion failed as follows:

AYES: 2 COUNCILMEMBERS: Agran and Carroll  
NOES: 3 COUNCILMEMBERS: Kim, Treseder, and Khan  
ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None  
ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

Following discussion, a vote was taken on the main motion.

**ACTION: Moved by Vice Mayor Kim, seconded by Mayor Khan, and unanimously carried to:**

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 23-17 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PORTIONS OF DIVISION 7 OF TITLE 4 AND SECTION 3-4-138 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO BICYCLES

**ADJOURNMENT-CITY COUNCIL**

**Moved by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Mayor Khan, and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 p.m.**

  
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MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

  
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CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

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August 8, 2023