



Steven Choi
Mayor

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Beth Krom
Councilmember

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MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

November 10, 2015
City Council Chamber
One Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, CA 92606

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Irvine City Council was called to order at 4 p.m. on November 10, 2015 in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor Choi presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present:	5	Councilmember:	Beth Krom
		Councilmember:	Lynn Schott
		Councilmember:	Christina Shea
		Mayor Pro Tempore:	Jeffrey Lalloway
		Mayor:	Steven Choi

1. CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Litfin announced the following Closed Session items:

- 1.1 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2): one (1) potential case**
- 1.2 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION: Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: six (6) potential cases**

Dylan Wright, County of Orange Waste and Recycling Director, offered to answer any questions the City Council may have regarding the Waste Disposal Agreement between the City of Irvine and the County of Orange.

RECESS

Mayor Choi convened the regular City Council Meeting to Closed Session at 4:03 p.m.

RECONVENE TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Choi reconvened the regular City Council meeting at 5:12 p.m. City Manager Joyce, on behalf of the City Council, announced the following:

- Item No. 1.1: No reportable Action
- Item No. 1.2: A motion to seek extension of tolling agreements related to the matters failed by a 2-3 vote (Councilmember Krom, Lalloway and Schott dissenting).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Choi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Mayor Choi invited Pastor Kevin Nguyen from Saddleback Community Church in Irvine to provide the invocation.

MUSICAL PRESENTATION

Mayor Choi introduced the Concordia Jazz Combo, directed by Dr. Tom Mueller, who performed "America the Beautiful" followed by "Summertime."

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Joyce announced the recent appointment and swearing-in of former Deputy Police Chief Mike Hamel as Irvine's new Police Chief.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Schott announced that the 34th Annual Thanksgiving Community Prayer Breakfast will be held on November 19 at 7:30 a.m. at the Irvine Marriot Hotel. Proceeds from the Prayer Breakfast benefit the Child Abuse Prevention Center. For information or to purchase tickets, visit irvinechamber.com or call 949-262-3210.

Councilmember Krom announced the recent opening of the Orchard Hills Trail Head, and noted that she, along with Mayor Choi and Councilmember Shea, had the opportunity to attend the dedication ceremony.

Mayor Choi provided a brief report on his recent attendance at the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), Overseas Koreans in Politics, and the United Nations Green Fund Conferences in South Korea; and the National League of Cities Conference in Nashville, Tennessee.

Mayor Choi also made the following announcements:

- The City of Irvine will honor all who served in the military on Wednesday, November 11 at the annual Veterans Day ceremony. Residents are also encouraged to visit the *Remember Our Fallen* exhibit, which is on display in the Civic Center Lobby through November 20. For information, call 949-724-6606 or visit cityofirvine.org.
- The Civic Center will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day; and Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- The annual City of Irvine and Irvine 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee Annual Holiday Toy Drive will be held through December 11. New, unwrapped toys suitable for infants or children up to age 12 can be dropped off in donation bins at the Civic Center, Irvine Police Department Lobby, or the Visitors Center at the Orange County Great Park. For information, call 714-588-8014 or visit cityofirvine.org.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR - CITY COUNCIL

ACTION: Moved by Mayor Pro Tempore Lalloway, seconded by Councilmember Shea, and unanimously carried to approve City Council Consent Calendar Item Nos. 2.1 through 2.7. Councilmember Krom abstained on Item No. 2.4.

2.1 MINUTES

ACTION:

Approved the minutes of a 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 held on October 27, 2015.

2.2 PROCLAMATIONS

ACTION:

Proclaimed December 1, 2015 as "#Giving Tuesday."

2.3 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION

ACTION:

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 15-118 - 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 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION - AT&T

ACTION:

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 15-119 - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS OF AT&T AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

Councilmember Krom abstained.

2.5 NOTICE OF REVIEW AND PENDING APPROVAL FOR TRACT MAPS IN EASTWOOD AND HERITAGE FIELDS EL TORO, LLC, GREAT PARK NEIGHBORHOODS

ACTION:

Received and filed.

2.6 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 15-11 ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO DECREASE THE MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL DENSITY REQUIREMENT FOR THE IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX AND CHANGING THE FREQUENCY OF REQUIRED UPDATES TO THE IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX RESIDENTIAL/MIXED USE VISION PLAN TRAFFIC STUDY

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 15-11 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE (00646725-PZC) TO DECREASE THE MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL DENSITY REQUIREMENT FOR THE IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX (IBC) FROM 30 TO 15 UNITS PER ACRE

AND CHANGING THE FREQUENCY OF REQUIRED UPDATES TO THE IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX RESIDENTIAL/MIXED USE VISION PLAN TRAFFIC STUDY FROM FIVE YEARS TO TWO; FILED BY THE CITY OF IRVINE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

(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 4-1 (Councilmember Krom voted no)

2.7 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUND GRANT NOMINATIONS

ACTION:

- 1) Approved Councilmember Shea's request for Community Partnership Fund Grant nomination to the Festival of Children Foundation in the amount of \$250 for the Carousel of Possible Dreams event in support of The First Tee of Orange County.
- 2) Approved Mayor Choi's request for Community Partnership Fund Grant nominations to Irvine Korean Parents Association in the amount of \$500 and Irvine Young Concert Artists in the amount of \$1,000 in support of program costs.
- 3) Authorized the City Manager to prepare and sign funding agreements listed in Actions 1 and 2.

3. COUNCIL BUSINESS

3.1 AD HOC VETERANS AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Councilmember Shea, as Chair of the Committee, expressed her appreciation to Committee Members and noted her support of the Committee's recommendations.

Mark Asturias, Manager of Housing, provided the staff report.

The following individuals spoke in support of Committee recommendations:

Robert Kohler, Irvine resident
Anthony Miller, representing Tender Touch Ministries
Anthony Kuo, Committee Member
Ronnie Guyer, Veteran and Committee Member
Patricia Whitaker, Committee Member and representing Innovative Housing Opportunities

There was no City Council discussion.

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

- 1) Adopt the Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing Committee recommended Policy Statements.
- 2) Conclude the Ad Hoc Veterans Affordable Housing Committee acknowledging the completion of its assignment.

3.2 PLACEMENT OF NATIONAL MOTTO IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

Michelle Grettenberg, Assistant to the City Manager, provided the staff report and responded to questions.

The following individuals spoke in support of the placement of the National Motto in the Council Chamber:

David Klubniken
Roibert Kohler, Irvine resident

City Council discussion included: religious diversity in Irvine; concern with size and scale of the national motto and suggested more understated options; research conducted of other agencies and their approval of similar displays; restating what the country stands for; whether alternatives were to be presented in addition to what was being proposed; maintaining and not compromising the wood paneling in the Council Chamber; and ensuring the display would be visible by all.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Shea, seconded by Councilmember Schott, to:

Continue the item and direct staff to return to the City Council in December with alternative design and placement options of the motto "In God We Trust" in the City Council Chamber.

The motion carried as follows:

AYES: 4 COUNCILMEMBERS: Lalloway, Schott, Shea and Choi

NOES: 1 COUNCILMEMBERS: Krom

ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

3.3 PREVIEW OF PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Manuel Gomez, Director of Public Works, Shohreh Dupris, Deputy Director of Public Works, and Katie Berg-Curtis, Project Development Administrator, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

City Council discussion included: clarification of the five-year plan; inquired about the status of the rehabilitation of the Irvine Animal Care Center (IACC); whether Quimby funds were restricted to certain areas or would be used citywide; whether the \$14 million received through the land sale from the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) would be set aside for future use; whether the Department of Finance Redevelopment settlement funds from the State should be used specifically for the Great Park; questioned how the structure for the five year plan was developed; development of conceptual plans for the IACC and noted that subcommittees do not generally get involved in the design process; clarification that operational issues must be finalized by the subcommittee in order to discuss design parameters at the shelter and bring forward recommendations to the City Council; whether specific staff members were dedicated to street pavement management; questioned why the land sale to the OCTA was at a discounted price and the absence of a clause in the contract allowing the City first right of refusal to purchase back the land at the same price; noted recent improvements at IACC as well as the need for long-term enhancements; questioned whether Attachments 1 and 2 to the staff report were reflective of City Council priorities and/or staff recommendations; clarification that OCTA's intention was to use the land for a Metrolink yard; the problem with moving forward with projects without understanding the economic impacts; continued efforts by the subcommittee to improve overall conditions at IACC by suggesting facility rehabilitation recommendations in conjunction with revised policies and procedures; prioritizing the rehabilitation of all City facilities built between 1975 and 1979; whether the City had the ability to fund improvements at the University Park Library (UPL) if UPL could not fulfill its obligation to modernize; status of current traffic signal synchronization efforts and whether immediate expansion and enhancement of such efforts was possible; whether the projects listed in

Attachment 2 of the staff report would require additional funding; status of the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) lawsuit and using the anticipated settlement, Quimby funds and proceeds from the land sale to OCTA, to fund the projects; Library Foundation's commitment for a metropolitan library in the Cultural Terrace at the Great Park and identifying a site in order to proceed with fundraising efforts; and further clarification that IACC, signal synchronization and rehabilitation of City facilities built between 1975 and 1975 would be top priorities of the City Council.

Director of Public Works Gomez provided an update on current and upcoming traffic synchronization efforts. Additionally, Director Gomez noted that Quimby funds could be used for any recreational area that directly benefits the area in which the funding was generated, and that the \$14 million received from the land sale was unrestricted and would be held in reserve for potential use in the redesign of Marine Way and Sand Canyon.

City Manager Joyce responded to questions related to the IAAC and funding sources for library rehabilitation. He also noted that the redevelopment settlement funds from the Department of Finance were also unrestricted and that the City Council could choose to set aside to use exclusively at the Great Park or citywide.

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

- 1) Receive and file the list of capital projects identified in Attachment 1 of the staff report and provided direction to staff confirming and modifying project priorities as deemed appropriate for consideration with the proposed Fiscal Year 2016-17 budget.
- 2) Receive and file the list of Facility Capital Improvement Projects identified in Attachment 2 of the staff report, and provided direction to staff regarding City Council priorities for facility projects, and directed staff to develop budget estimates based on said priorities for consideration with the proposed Fiscal Year 2016-17 budget.
- 3) Direct staff to schedule one study session to review in further detail any information or projects that the City Council may wish to consider in advance of the upcoming budget process, including prioritization of the following projects: traffic signal synchronization, rehabilitation or a new animal care center, rehabilitation of city buildings built between 1975 and 1979, and a metropolitan library at the Orange County Great Park.

3.4 IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX PUBLIC PARKS AND JAMBOREE MICHELSON BRIDGE PROJECTS

This item was agendaized at the request of Councilmember Shea, who suggested the City Council receive a presentation on the status of Irvine Business Complex (IBC) neighborhood and community parks, park credits, and in-lieu fees held by the City projected for the area; and general cost estimates for construction of one or more bridges crossing Jamboree in the IBC.

Tim Gehrich, Deputy Director of Community Development, and Barry Curtis, Manager of Planning Services, provided the staff report and responded to questions.

City Council discussion included: questioned the priority of the park located near the area of Murphy between Kelvin and McGaw proposed by staff; proposed bridge over the San Diego Creek accessing the village of Westpark, why its location was being proposed, and whether Westpark residents would have concerns over such access by IBC residents; questioned the \$20 million allocation for one bridge in comparison to Irvine Company's approximate \$2 million expenditure for a bridge connecting the Jeffrey Open Space Trail (JOST); exploring the cost of prefabricated bridges to create opportunities for additional bridges over Jamboree; noted the need for park space for older IBC communities that are without onsite amenities; questioned the priority of expanding Bill Barber Park and noted that Bill Barber Park was not easily accessible for IBC residents; uniqueness of the IBC and challenges with introducing amenities for residents in an area that is primarily built-out; securing undeveloped parcels that may become available for park space; potential to reduce vehicle trips if a bridge was installed; challenges of installing a bridge from Central Park West to Park Place; noted that bridges can be unsightly and should blend in well with the surrounding area; architectural differences between the bridges in the JOST and Woodbridge; whether the \$20 million allocation includes the cost of the necessary landing areas for a bridge at Jamboree and Michelson; whether an elevator at a bridge site would be necessary for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance; suggested that staff return with quotes and a better understanding of design costs; noted that the bridges connecting the JOST spanning smaller and less-congested streets in contrast to Jamboree, which is a major arterial that may have expanded site and structural requirements; importance of connectivity of parks and retail to residential in the IBC; underground access as an alternative to a bridge; and exploring the bridges located at South Coast Plaza as a possible alternative.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT-CITY COUNCIL

David Klubniken spoke on behalf of the Tseglin family noting a continued domestic issue related to an autistic family member.

Ilya and Robert Tseglin reiterated a domestic issue related to an autistic family member.

Steve Greenberg, Irvine resident, noted his support of disallowing the display of slate mailers in City facilities and referenced recent articles in the Irvine Community News and Views.

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, noted his support of the Irvine Community News and Views, noting that the publication was no longer a slate mailer.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Pro Tempore Lalloway, seconded by Councilmember Shea, and unanimously carried to adjourn the City Council meeting at 8:24 p.m.



CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE



MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

November 24, 2015