



MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

June 24, 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 4:40 p.m. on June 24, 2025, in the City Council Chamber, Irvine Civic Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California; Mayor Agran presiding.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7	Councilmember:	Mike Carroll
	Councilmember:	William Go
	Councilmember:	Melinda Liu
	Councilmember:	Betty Martinez Franco
	Councilmember:	Kathleen Treseder
	Vice Mayor:	James Mai
	Mayor:	Larry Agran

Prior to consideration of Scoping Session Item No. 1.1, Mayor Agran announced the reordering of the agenda and that Council Business Item No. 5.3 (Second Amendment to the Waste Disposal Agreement with the County of Orange) would be considered following the Consent Calendar. He also noted that Council Business Item No. 5.2 (Confirmation of Unpaid Costs Incurred by the City to Abate Public Nuisance Conditions at 1851 Kettering Street) would be removed from the agenda for consideration.

1. SCOPING SESSION

1.1 SCOPING SESSION FOR A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH PLANNING AREA 52, OAK PARK; FILED BY IRVINE COMPANY

Oliver Chi, City Manager, introduced Eric Martin, Senior Planner, and Chris Chung, Principal Planner, who provided the staff report and responded to questions.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to the establishment of the proposed Oak Park development:

- Frank
- Sandra
- Nicky
- Paula Miller, Irvine resident and President of the Ranch Homeowners Association
- Brendan MacDonald
- Melanie, Irvine resident
- Janeen
- John Albritton, Irvine resident
- Brad Rose
- Jacki
- Greg Smith
- Fred Klein, Irvine resident
- Sandra Jacobs, Irvine office building owner
- Matt Bretan, President of the Woodbridge Village Association (WVA)
- Derek Shirk, Irvine resident
- Mary Chiaverini, WVA Board Member
- Heidi, Irvine resident
- John Evans, Irvine resident and Director on the WVA Board of Directors
- Nadine Heideman, Vice President of the WVA Board of Directors
- Hillary Willett, Irvine resident
- Mary Stephens, Irvine resident
- Shannon Burns
- Bryan Tetzlaff, Irvine resident
- Mike Rapp, Irvine resident
- Laura Cormack, Irvine resident
- Jack Daly, Irvine resident
- Debbie Crosby, Irvine resident
- Melissa S., Irvine resident
- Nancy McDevitt, Irvine resident
- Paul Vu, Irvine resident

- Tim Stanley
- Rolf Parkes, President of the Orangetree Master and Patio Homes Association
- Scott Carpenter, Irvine resident
- Terri Mihalovich-Gerstner, Irvine resident
- Sang Reddy, Irvine resident
- Oliver Sanchez, Irvine resident
- Eileen McCarthy, Irvine resident
- Jamie Morgan, Irvine resident
- Carol, Irvine resident
- Christina Shea, Irvine resident
- Susie Winocur, Irvine resident
- Nancy Wang, Irvine resident
- Linda, Irvine resident
- Max Eg, Irvine resident
- Susan Sayre, Irvine resident
- Joanne
- Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident

The following individuals spoke in support:

- Tiffany Aguinaldo, Irvine resident
- Sandra Crouch, Irvine resident and Greater Irvine Chamber of Commerce executive
- Lara Sinanian
- Jeffrey Bautista, incoming President of the Filipino American Chamber of Commerce of Orange County
- Aymi Lau, Irvine resident
- Connor Choi
- Khryzza Kelley, Irvine resident
- Dorothy Solinger, Irvine resident
- Elizabeth Hansburg, People for Housing Orange County
- Ron Nestor, Irvine resident
- Rodolfo Mora, Irvine resident
- Peyton Shim, Irvine resident
- Bill Shultz, Irvine resident
- Greg Costigan, Irvine resident
- Mike Nystrom, Irvine resident
- Sharon Ellis, Irvine resident
- Dave Coffaro, Chief Executive Officer of the Greater Irvine Chamber of Commerce
- Sylvia Walker, Irvine resident
- Duy Viet Le, Irvine resident

Crit spoke neither in support or opposition to the proposed Oak Park development.

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, questioned the requirement for voter approval to amend the Open Space Initiative and suggested that the City taking a tough negotiating position with Irvine Company.

Jason Garshfield, Irvine resident, spoke in support of increased development and traffic mitigation measures.

Don Geller, Irvine resident and Finance Commission Chair, suggested locating a library in a parklike setting within the proposed project location and placing that question on the ballot for voter consideration.

RECESS

Mayor Agran recessed the City Council meeting at 6:57 p.m.

RECONVENE TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Agran reconvened the City Council meeting at 7:16 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Carroll led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Lead Pastor Jason Aguilar from Enjoy Church provided the invocation.

1.1 SCOPING SESSION FOR A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH PLANNING AREA 52, OAK PARK; FILED BY IRVINE COMPANY (CONTINUED)

Jeff Davis, representing the Irvine Company, spoke in support of the proposed project.

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

City Council discussion included: questioning the ability to amend or rescind Initiative Resolution 88-1; noted the City's obligation to consider the developer's application; suggested the matter be placed on the ballot for voter consideration; provided historical context regarding Initiative Resolution 88-1 and the proposed development; requested additional historical and legal background; questioned the application processing timeline; suggested processing the application and concurrently considering the calling of a special election; discussed further legal

analysis; suggested periodic progress reports; and questioned the timetable for agendizing a ballot measure at a future City Council meeting.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Carroll to:

Pursue a ballot initiative parallel to the application processing process.

Following discussion, Councilmember Carroll withdrew his motion at the suggestion of City Attorney Melching to agendize discussion related to a potential ballot initiative at a future City Council meeting.

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

Authorize staff to proceed with processing a General Plan amendment application for new Planning Area 52, Oak Park.

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 *Proclaim July 1, 2025, as “50th Anniversary of the Irvine Police Department”*

Mayor Agran introduced Michael Kent, Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police, and presented a proclamation recognizing July 1, 2025, as “50th Anniversary of the Irvine Police Department.”

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, expressed appreciation for the Irvine Police Department’s service to the community, and spoke in opposition to messaging in a previous public safety announcement related to conflicts between the United States and Iran.

ACTION: Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Councilmember Carroll, and unanimously carried to proclaim July 1, 2025, as “50th Anniversary of the Irvine Police Department.”

PUBLIC COMMENTS - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

Susan Sayre, Irvine resident, spoke in support of designing the Irvine CONNECT survey to be inclusive of individuals who recently relocated to Irvine, seniors, and members of the disabled community; in support of an interactive survey presentation or informative paper surveys if not possible; and spoke in opposition to phone and internet surveys.

Crit spoke in support of an increased number of dog parks in the City.

Siddharth Mehta, Seal Beach resident, Uhmadevi Raoi, and Tomas Castro, Irvine resident, spoke in support of the City's continued membership in the Orange County Power Authority.

Alan Meyerson, Irvine resident, provided historical context related to Vice Mayor Mai's statement regarding the previously proposed Veterans Cemetery in the Great Park; and spoke in opposition to votes by Councilmembers Liu and Treseder earlier in the day in their capacity as Great Park Board Directors regarding the Laguna Art Museum.

Stephen Sponer spoke in opposition to alleged corruption in the Irvine Police Department and the department's inaction related to amending a police report.

Steve Berger, Irvine resident, spoke in support of a Veterans Cemetery at the Great Park.

Timothy Kim, Irvine resident, spoke in support of school choice in the City.

Tim Wang, Irvine resident, spoke in support of an increased number of protected bicycle lanes in the City.

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in support of dissolving the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee and in opposition to a lack of oversight related to Irvine Recovery Plan grants.

Tiffany, Irvine resident, spoke in support of countering an increase in water rates by the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) by attempting to persuade IRWD to switch its energy provider from Southern California Edison to the Orange County Power Authority.

Jason Garshfield, Irvine resident, spoke in support of school choice and in opposition to crime evidenced by the locking of goods behind store shelves.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

There was no report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Liu

- Orange County Sanitation District (OC San) was awarded the Association of California Cities – Orange County's Golden Hub Award for Environmental Sustainability & Energy Efficiency. In addition, Councilmember Liu nominated City Manager Chi, Interim City Manager Crumby, and Irvine Police Department officers Alex Mendoza and Jordan Liu for awards at the same event.
- The Orange County Housing Finance Trust is currently updating its strategic plan to address workforce housing issues and meet transitional housing needs. Members of the public may provide feedback by contacting Councilmember Liu's office.

- The Orange County Fire Authority recently received a new crane for Division 2 for rescue operations at John Wayne Airport.
- On Saturday, June 28, Councilmember Liu's office will host an Older Adults Resource Fair at the Portola Springs Community Center. The event is open to the public and will feature a variety of events, resources, and workshops designed to help senior citizens take advantage of services available at the City of Irvine.
- In conjunction with the 60th anniversary of the crash of a Vietnam-bound C-135 aircraft departing from Marine Corps Air Station El Toro into Loma Ridge, Bobby McDonald will be holding an event in memory of the 72 Marines and 12 Airmen who died on Saturday, June 28, at Heroes Hall from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- Councilmember Liu's office celebrated Flag Day on June 14. A flag from Irvine was presented to Byron Salvatierra, an Irvine Army veteran who serves as a volunteer firefighter. Congressman Min's office offered two flags from the United States Capitol to be presented to Commander Michelle De La Cruz and Glenn Shingu, Marine veterans now serving in leadership roles at the local American Legion. Three of the flags shipped from the United States Embassy in Hanoi, Vietnam, were presented to honorees Bobby McDonald, Nick Berardino, and Colonels Alice and Norman Marshall, who served during the Vietnam War.
- Councilmember Liu's office welcomed two new summer interns on June 23.
- On June 11, representatives from Councilmember Liu's office visited the University Park Library to pick up library cards. Members of the public are encouraged to apply for their own card as well. The University Park and Heritage Park Libraries will open as Irvine Public Library facilities on August 4.

Councilmember Go

- In response to growing concerns about wildfire risks, Councilmember Go's office partnered with Mayor Agran, the Office of California Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara, Irvine Police Department, and Orange County Fire Authority to host a Wildfire Preparedness and Home Insurance Town Hall to provide residents with practical information on how to protect their homes, prepare for emergencies, and navigate the growing challenges around homeowners' insurance. The event was livestreamed and is available for members of the public who were unable to attend.

Councilmember Martinez Franco

- Along with Councilmembers Go and Liu, Councilmember Martinez Franco attended the Juneteenth celebration at the Great Park and expressed appreciation to the City and Black Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC) Orange County (OC) for holding the event. Councilmember Martinez Franco also noted the role of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee.

Vice Mayor Mai

- As one of the City's representatives to the Orange County Power Authority (OCPA), Vice Mayor Mai reported that the Board of Directors was presented with the budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. One recommendation was to have three different tiers, of which Irvine will remain in the Basic Choice tier. Members of the public are encouraged to participate in two rebate programs, one for Level 2 electric vehicle charger purchases and the other for Energy Efficiency Kits. For more information, visit ocpower.org.

Mayor Agran

- The City will host a free, family-friendly Fourth of July Celebration at the Great Park on Friday, July 4, from 4 to 10 p.m., that will feature a community parade, live entertainment, hands-on activities, and drone and fireworks shows. Food and drinks will be available for purchase throughout the day. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and a blanket, and ride-share, carpool, walk, or bike to the event. For more information, visit cityofirvine.org/FourthOfJuly.
- The City is developing a 30-year Urban Forest Master Plan, which contains measurable goals and recommended actions to assist in achieving 30% canopy cover and realize an ideal urban forest by 2055. Community members are encouraged to review the plan online and provide input on urban forestry goals by July 18 to help shape associated City practices, guidelines, and initiatives. To view the master plan and share feedback, visit cityofirvine.org/ufmp.
- Applications are open for the One Irvine neighborhood revitalization program, which aims to enhance the City through community-led reinvestment. If a single-family home or condominium was built in or prior to 1980, interested individuals may be eligible for one of the following grants or loans to support upgrades:
 - Green Home Grants worth \$1,500 per household.
 - Up to \$25,000 in Home Improvement Loans for sustainable upgrades or critical repairs.

For more information and to apply, visit cityofirvine.org/OneIrvine.

- Mayor Agran expressed appreciation to BIPOC OC for hosting the fourth annual Juneteenth Freedom Celebration on June 21 at the Great Park Palm Court Complex. The event, sponsored by the City of Irvine, was a vibrant celebration of freedom, hope, and joy, honoring the history and contributions of African Americans to the community and nation that included live performances, interactive activities, historical displays, and community booths and was attended by many community partners, including Irvine Unified School District and UC Irvine Libraries.

- Mayor Agran expressed appreciation to City Manager Oliver Chi, who will depart Irvine after three and a half years to assume a new role as the City Manager for the City of Santa Monica and added that his leadership, dedication, and steady hand will be missed. Mayor Agran noted City Manager Chi's accomplishments over the years, which included:
 - Advancing the Great Park Framework Plan, setting a bold, community-driven vision for the next chapter of development at the Great Park;
 - Working alongside the Council and community to permanently close the All American Asphalt plant — paving the way for the future Gateway Preserve;
 - Launching the City's first Health & Wellness initiative, Irvine Cares, a community-wide commitment to health, wellness, and quality of life;
 - Guiding the establishment of the Irvine Fieldhouse, the City's first municipal gym, which will expand access to indoor recreational opportunities across the City;
 - Overseeing the City Charter Amendment to expand the City Council and successfully implementing district-based elections, marking a historic shift in local representation;
 - Supporting the advancement of the Irvine Public Library System to serve a growing and diverse population;
 - Prioritizing public safety, ensuring Irvine continues to be recognized as one of the safest cities in America, with the Irvine Police Department serving as a national model in modern policing;
 - Delivering major capital improvement projects, including the long-awaited Jeffrey Open Space Trail bridge over the I-5 Freeway, seamlessly connecting miles of trail; and
 - Maintaining the City's tradition of fiscal responsibility, ensuring Irvine's long-term financial strength and resilience.

He also noted that City Manager Chi's leadership touched nearly every corner of the City, from sustainability to civic engagement, and infrastructure to innovation; and he has led with integrity, humility, innovation, empathy, and passion, the core foundation of the One Irvine values he helped establish and embed throughout the organization early in his tenure. Together with the City Council, City Manager Chi delivered an impressive array of results, all in service of the shared mission to create a City that offers an exceptional quality of life.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Mayor Agran reiterated that Council Business Item No. 5.2 (Confirmation of Unpaid Costs Incurred by the City to Abate Public Nuisance Conditions at 1851 Kettering Street) would be removed from the agenda.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

3.2

In support of the "International Day of Yoga" proclamation:

- Namrata Rupani, Irvine resident
- Aarti Chopra, Irvine resident
- Ipsita Dayal

3.4

Don Geller, Irvine resident and Finance Commission Chair, spoke in support of the Treasurer's Report for the Quarter Ended March 31, 2025, and expressed appreciation to City Treasurer Collins, Investment Advisory Committee members, Director of Administrative Services (AS) Dahle Bulosan and AS staff, and City Manager Chi.

Prior to a vote, Councilmember Go expressed appreciation to those who spoke in support of the "International Day of Yoga" proclamation.

Moved by Councilmember Carroll, seconded by Vice Mayor Mai, and unanimously carried to approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3.1 through 3.13.

3.1 MINUTES

ACTION:

Approved the minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council held on May 27, 2025.

3.2 PROCLAMATIONS

ACTION:

- 1) Ratified and proclaimed June 21, 2025, as "International Day of Yoga."
- 2) Proclaimed July 2025, as "Park and Recreation Month."

3.3 WARRANT AND WIRE TRANSFER RESOLUTION

ACTION:

Adopted RESOLUTION NO. 25-81 - 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 TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED MARCH 31, 2025

ACTION:

Received and filed the Treasurer's Report for the quarter ended March 31, 2025.

3.5 ESTABLISHMENT OF IRVINE PUBLIC LIBRARY PATRON CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF LIBRARY COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY

ACTION:

- 1) Adopted the Irvine Public Library Patron Code of Conduct Policy.
- 2) Adopted the Irvine Public Library Collection Development Policy.

3.6 NOTICE OF PENDING APPROVAL FOR A TRACT MAP IN GREAT PARK NEIGHBORHOODS

ACTION:

Received and filed.

3.7 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-14 RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGE REQUIREMENTS

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-14 - AN ORDINANCE OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, ADDING DIVISION 6 TO TITLE 2 OF THE IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGE REQUIREMENTS

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Approved 6-1 (Vice Mayor Mai voted No).

3.8 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-15 ESTABLISHING NEW DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-15 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 2, DIVISION 7 OF THE CITY OF IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH CHAPTER 9 CITYWIDE DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES

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Approved 7-0.

3.9 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-16 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE RELATED TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURE UPDATES AND THE INSTITUTION OF A COMMUNITY PREFERENCE POLICY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-16 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGES 00953093-PZC AND 00950164-PZC, TO AMEND CHAPTER 2-3 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO UPDATE AND EXPAND AVAILABLE MENU OPTIONS FOR SATISFACTION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIREMENTS, TO UPDATE AND EXPAND THE LOCAL DENSITY BONUS OPTION, TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY PREFERENCE POLICY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS, AND TO IMPLEMENT TECHNICAL UPDATES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIREMENTS

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Approved 7-0.

3.10 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-17 APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR DISCOVERY PARK RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN PLANNING AREA 31 (IRVINE SPECTRUM 6)

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-17 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT 00948850-PDA TO ESTABLISH PUBLIC BENEFITS AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIREMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH AN 1,858-UNIT MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LAGUNA CANYON ROAD AND DISCOVERY IN PLANNING AREA 31 (IRVINE SPECTRUM 6); FILED BY IRVINE COMPANY

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Approved 7-0.

3.11 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-18 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR WAREHOUSE AND LOGISTICS USE STANDARDS AND RELATED DEFINITIONS AND PROCEDURES

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-18 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00948798-PZC TO AMEND SECTION 1-2-1, SECTION 2-9-4, SECTION 3-3-1, CHAPTER 3-37, CHAPTER 4-3, CHAPTER 9-4, CHAPTER 9-34, AND CHAPTER 9-38 OF THE IRVINE ZONING ORDINANCE BY ADDING, MODIFYING, OR DELETING

CERTAIN DEFINITIONS, REVIEW PROCEDURES, LAND USE REGULATIONS, AND PARKING REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO WAREHOUSE AND LOGISTICS USE DEVELOPMENTS AND ADD CHAPTER 3-44 TO REFLECT NEW WAREHOUSE AND LOGISTICS USE STANDARDS

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Approved 7-0.

3.12 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-19 ADOPTING AN UPDATED FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE MAP FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE

ACTION:

Read by title only, second reading and adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 25-19 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING CITY COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 12-03 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ADOPTING AN UPDATED FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE MAP FOR THE CITY OF IRVINE

(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 7-0.

3.13 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUND GRANT NOMINATIONS

ACTION:

- 1) Approved Mayor Agran's request for Community Partnership Fund Grant Nomination to Concordia University Irvine in the amount of \$1,000 in support of CONCORDIA serves programming costs for a service project in the City of Irvine. **(Contract No. 12058)**
- 2) Approved Vice Mayor Mai's request for Community Partnership Fund Grant Nomination to Concordia University Irvine in the amount of \$1,000 in support of program costs. **(Contract No. 12058)**

- 3) Authorized the City Manager to prepare and sign a funding agreement for the organization listed above.

Following consideration of the Consent Calendar, Mayor Agran reordered the agenda to consider Council Business Item No. 5.3 (Second Amendment to the Waste Disposal Agreement with the County of Orange) prior to the scheduled public hearing. See page 1.

5. COUNCIL BUSINESS

5.3 **SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE WASTE DISPOSAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ORANGE**

Oliver Chi, City Manager, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Sean Crumby, Assistant City Manager, also responded to questions.

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in support of a one-year extension to the Waste Disposal Agreement with the County of Orange.

Michelle Johnson, Irvine resident, and Lesley Tan spoke in opposition to the Second Amendment to the Waste Disposal Agreement with the County of Orange as presented.

City Council discussion included: referencing the location of Bowerman Landfill behind Council Districts 1 and 2; noted concerns from residents related to odors and trash fees; inquired about relocating solid waste outside of Orange County; questioned the construction timeline of a dedicated off-ramp to the landfill; and suggested the development of a strategic plan.

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

- 1) Approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the one-year Waste Disposal Agreement (WDA) extension per the Second Waste Disposal Agreement Amendment with Orange County Waste & Recycling (OCWR). **(Contract No. 6267B)**
- 2) Direct that any subsequent associated agreement(s) necessary to implement the one-year WDA extension be reviewed by the City Attorney and ratified by the full City Council.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

4.1 IRVINE ZONING ORDINANCE BICYCLE PARKING STANDARDS UPDATE

Mayor Agran opened the public hearing at 9:39 p.m.

Brett Cannon, Senior Planner, presented the staff report and responded to questions. Chris Chung, Principal Planner, also responded to questions.

Tim Wang and Youssef Kaddeche, Irvine residents, spoke in support of the proposed update.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the applicability and strength of the ordinance; and questioned conversion of spaces in older buildings to facilitate the inclusion of bicycle amenities.

ACTION: Moved by Councilmember Treseder, seconded by Councilmember Liu, and unanimously carried by those members present (Councilmember Carroll absent), to close the public hearing at 9:48 p.m.

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

Introduce for the first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 25-20 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONE CHANGE 00951238-PZC TO AMEND THE IRVINE ZONING ORDINANCE SPECIFIC TO BICYCLE PARKING STANDARDS BY REVISING CHAPTER 1-2, DEFINITIONS; CHAPTER 2-2, ADMINISTRATIVE RELIEF PROCEDURE; CHAPTER 4-3, AUTOMOBILE, MOTORCYCLE, HANDICAP, AND BICYCLE OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS; AND CHAPTER 4-6, DEVIATIONS FROM REQUIREMENTS

5. COUNCIL BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

5.1 UPDATES TO APPOINTMENTS OF CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

Mayor Agran noted that the proposed appointments were based on his recommendations following discussions with his City Council colleagues.

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

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in opposition to the appointment of Councilmember Martinez Franco to various outside governmental agencies due to a perceived lack of qualifications; and spoke in support of providing her with an opportunity to demonstrate her ability to govern.

City Council discussion included: discussing alternative appointments to the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) Board of Directors and other outside agencies; inquired about a status update on the report regarding the City's position as a donor city to OCPA; questioned the qualifications for serving on the OCFA Board of Directors; and discussed the length of the terms for the various appointments.

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

- 1) Appoint Councilmember Martinez Franco to the following outside governmental agencies for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year:
 - a) Delegate to the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors;
 - b) Second delegate to the Irvine Liaison and Coordinating Committee (Irvine Unified School District) and Irvine Barclay Theatre Operating Company Board of Directors; and
 - c) Alternate to the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) for the 2025 calendar year.

Following discussion, Mayor Agran withdrew his motion and Councilmember Carroll withdrew his second.

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

- 1) Appoint Councilmember Martinez Franco to the following outside governmental agencies for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year:
 - a) Second delegate to the Irvine Liaison and Coordinating Committee (Irvine Unified School District) and Irvine Barclay Theatre Operating Company Board of Directors; and
 - b) Alternate to the Orange County Council of Governments (OCCOG) for the 2025 calendar year.

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

- 1) Appoint Councilmember Martinez Franco as delegate to the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year.
- 2) Adopt – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ACTION: A substitute motion was made by Councilmember Liu to:

- 1) Appoint Councilmember Liu as delegate to the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year.
- 2) Adopt – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The motion failed for lack of second.

ACTION: A substitute motion was made by Councilmember Go, seconded by Councilmember Liu, to:

- 1) Appoint Councilmember Go as delegate to the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year.
- 2) Adopt – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The motion failed as follows:

AYES: 2 COUNCILMEMBERS: Go and Liu

NOES: 5 COUNCILMEMBERS: Carroll, Mai, Martinez Franco, Treseder, and Agran

ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

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

- 1) Appoint Councilmember Martinez Franco as delegate to the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors for the remainder of the 2025 calendar year.
- 2) Adopt – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING ITS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The motion carried as follows:

AYES: 6 COUNCILMEMBERS: Carroll, Go, Mai, Martinez Franco, Treseder, and Agran

NOES: 1 COUNCILMEMBERS: Liu

ABSENT: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: 0 COUNCILMEMBERS: None

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

Adopt Fair Political Practices Commission Public Official Appointment Form 806 and direct the City Clerk to post an amended form to the City website to report any change in appointments to the governmental agencies providing stipends as determined by the City Council.

5.2 CONFIRMATION OF UNPAID COSTS INCURRED BY THE CITY TO ABATE PUBLIC NUISANCE CONDITIONS AT 1851 KETTERING STREET

This item was removed from the agenda. See Additions and Deletions (page 9).

5.4 RECISSION OF ORDINANCE 24-16 AND ADOPTION OF MODIFICATIONS TO TITLE 1, DIVISION 6 (CODE OF ETHICS) AND TITLE 1, DIVISION 7 (CITY LOBBYING)

Jeff Melching, City Attorney, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

Ayn Craciun and Jeremy Ficarola, Irvine residents, spoke in opposition to the proposed modifications.

Eric Neshanian, Irvine resident, spoke in support of the proposed modifications, noting that opposition by Councilmember Treseder and certain community members was related to a desire to keep the Orange County Power Authority in operation.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the constitutionality of the ordinance, including equal protection.

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

Introduce for first reading and read by title only ORDINANCE NO. 25-21 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, RESCINDING ORDINANCE 24-16 TITLED “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF IRVINE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 1, DIVISION 7, OF THE CITY OF IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO LOBBYING” AND AMENDING TITLE 1, DIVISION (CODE OF ETHICS) 6 AND TITLE 1, DIVISION 7 (CITY LOBBYING) OF THE CITY OF IRVINE MUNICIPAL CODE

5.5 AGREEMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT OF SEAN CRUMBY AS INTERIM CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

Jeff Melching, City Attorney, presented the staff report and responded to questions.

Sylvia Walker and Eric Neshanian, Irvine residents, spoke in opposition to the proposed two-year term for the Interim City Manager.

City Council discussion included: inquiring about the length of the proposed term; questioned the average length of time to recruit for a City Manager; and provided a summary of Mr. Crumby’s qualifications.

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

Approve Agreement For Employment Of Interim City Manager Between City of Irvine and Sean Crumby. **(Contract No. 12060)**

ADJOURNMENT

Prior to adjournment, Mayor Agran asked that the City Council meeting be adjourned in honor of former City Councilmember Chris Mears, who passed away earlier in the month. Mayor Agran noted Councilmember Mears' service from 2000 to 2004 and highlighted the following accomplishments:

- Served as member of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors for four years;
- Served as Chairman of the California State Athletic Commission (related to boxing and mixed martial arts);
- Served as a highly successful trial attorney for more than 30 years, having been named Trial Lawyer of the Year three times in Orange County; and
- Won numerous civil rights cases on behalf of the unhoused and received the State Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award, which is the highest pro bono recognition from the State Bar, driven by his commitment to correcting injustice.

Mayor Agran expressed his condolences on behalf of the City Council to his wife, Michelle, his children, Ben and Sophie, and his brother Michael.

Moved by Mayor Agran, seconded by Vice Mayor Mai, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting in memory of former City Councilmember Chris Mears at 11 p.m.


MAYOR OF THE CITY OF IRVINE


CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF IRVINE

July 22, 2025