# MINUTES ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

## Board of Directors Concurrent Joint Special Meeting Thursday, April 14, 2022 6:00 P.M.

### **Regional Fire Operations and Training Center**

Board Room 1 Fire Authority Road Irvine, CA 92602

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

A Concurrent Joint Special Meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Budget and Finance Committee, and the Human Resources Committee was called to order on April 14, 2022, at 6:02 p.m. by Board of Directors Chair Michele Steggell.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present:

Michele Steggell, La Palma, Chair\*

Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo\*

Gene Hernandez, Yorba Linda\* Joe Kalmick, Seal Beach\* Austin Lumbard, Tustin\* Sandy Rains, Laguna Niguel\*

Dave Shawver, Stanton\* Tri Ta, Westminster\*

Donald P. Wagner, County of Orange\*

Absent:

Lisa Bartlett, County of Orange

Shelley Hasselbrink, Los Alamitos

Sunny Park, Buena Park Mark Tettemer, Lake Forest Anthony Kuo, Irvine, Vice Chair\*

Carol Gamble, Rancho Santa Margarita\*

Anne Hertz-Mallari, Cypress\*
Jessie Lopez, Santa Ana\*
John O'Neill, Garden Grove\*
Vince Rossini, Villa Park\*
Don Sedgwick, Laguna Hills\*
Richard Viczorek, Dana Point\*
Kathy Ward, San Clemente\*

Troy Bourne, San Juan Capistrano

Noel Hatch, Laguna Woods Ed Sachs, Mission Viejo

Also present were:

Fire Chief Brian Fennessy Assistant Chief TJ McGovern

Communications Director Matt Olson Clerk of the Authority Maria Huizar Deputy Chief Lori Zeller Assistant Chief Robert Cortez Assistant Chief Randy Black General Counsel David Kendig

<sup>\*</sup> Those members attending via Teleconferencing

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chair Steggell opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting, without any comments from the general public Chair Steggell closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting.

#### 1. PRESENTATION

No Items.

#### 2. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

A. Findings Required by AB 361 for the Continued Use of Teleconferencing for Meetings (FILE 11.03)

General Counsel David Kendig presented the Findings Required by AB 361 for the Continued Use of Teleconferencing for Meetings.

On motion of Director Hernandez, and second by Director Wagner, and following a roll call vote, approved 15-3 (Directors Hertz-Mallari, Kuo, and Steggell opposed, Directors Bourne, Park, Hatch, Tettemer, Hasselbrink, Sachs, and Bartlett absent) to select Option #1, to make the following findings:

- a. A state of emergency has been proclaimed by California's Governor due to the COVID-19 pandemic and continues in effect; and
- b. The Board of Directors and each Committee has reconsidered the circumstances of the emergency; and
- c. State and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19.

#### **REPORTS**

None.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Chair Steggell adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, April 28, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

Maria D. Huizar, CMC
Clerk of the Authority