

# MINUTES

## ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Regular and Concurrent Joint Special Meetings  
Thursday, October 13, 2022  
6:00 P.M.

Regional Fire Operations and Training Center Board Room  
1 Fire Authority Road  
Irvine, CA 92602-0125

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### CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors was called to order on October 13, 2022, at 6:05 p.m. by Vice Chair Kuo.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair Kuo led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### ROLL CALL

Anthony Kuo, Vice Chair  
Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo\*  
Noel Hatch, Laguna Woods\*  
Anne Hertz-Mallari, Cypress\*  
John R. O'Neill, Garden Grove\*  
Ed Sachs, Mission Viejo\*  
Mark Tettemer, Lake Forest  
Donald Wagner, County of Orange\*

Troy Bourne, San Juan Capistrano\*  
Carol Gamble, Rancho Santa Margarita\*  
Gene Hernandez, Yorba Linda\*  
Austin Lombard, Tustin\*  
Vince Rossini, Villa Park\*  
Don Sedgwick, Laguna Hills\*  
Richard Viczorek, Dana Point\*  
Kathleen Ward, San Clemente\*

**Absent** Lisa Bartlett, County of Orange  
Joe Kalmick, Seal Beach  
Sunny Park, Buena Park  
Dave Shawver, Stanton  
Tri Ta, Westminster

Shelley Hasselbrink, Los Alamitos  
Jessie Lopez, Santa Ana  
Sandy Rains, Laguna Niguel  
Michele Steggell, Chai, La Palma

### Also present were:

Fire Chief Brian Fennessy  
Assistant Clerk Martha Halvorson  
Assistant General Counsel Michael Daudt

Assistant Chief Robert Cortez  
Assistant Chief Stephanie Holloman

\*Board Members participating via teleconferencing

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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

### **1. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

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

Assistant General Counsel Michael Daudt presented the Findings Required by AB 361 for the Continued Use of Teleconferencing for Meetings.

Director Wagner suggested a vote by the entire Board of Directors is representative of all Committees as well as the Board.

Discussion ensued.

Director Sachs left at this time (5:54 p.m.).

Assistant General Counsel Daudt recommended it would be appropriate at this time to record the necessary votes of each Committee individually as well as the Board, to affirm a quorum and vote of each Committee and of the Board.

Director Hernandez left at this time (5:56 p.m.).

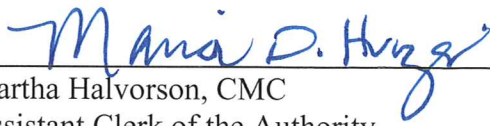
On motion of Director Wagner and second by Director Hernandez, and following a roll call vote, approved 8-6 (Directors Hertz-Mallari, Tetteimer, Ward, Bourne, Rossini and Kuo opposed, and Directors Park, Rains, Hasselbrink, Sachs, Lopez, Kalmick Shawver, Ta, Hernandez, Bartlett, and Steggell absent) 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 has reconsidered the circumstances of the emergency; and
- c. Local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

The Board Members offered no comments.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Vice Chair Kuo adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors will be on Thursday, October 27, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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Martha Halvorson, CMC  
Assistant Clerk of the Authority