

# MINUTES

## ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

**Legislative and Public Affairs Committee**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday July 20, 2022**  
**12:00 Noon**

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

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee was called to order on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. by OCFA Board Vice Chair Anthony Kuo.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Wagner led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Anthony Kuo, Irvine\*  
Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo\*  
Anne Hertz-Mallari, Cypress\*  
Joe Kalmick, Seal Beach\*  
Sandy Rains, Laguna Niguel\*  
Kathy Ward, San Clemente\*  
Donald P. Wagner, County of Orange\*

**Absent:** None

### **Also present were:**

Fire Chief Brian Fennessy  
Deputy Chief Kenny Dossey  
Director of Communications Matt Olson  
Clerk of the Authority Maria D. Huizar

Assistant Chief Stephanie Holloman  
Assistant Chief Robert Cortez  
Assistant Chief Lori Smith  
General Counsel David Kendig

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Kuo opened the Public Comment portion of the meeting and as there were no comments, closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

### **1. PRESENTATION**

No items.

### **2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

No items.

### **3. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

#### **A. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair (FILE 12.02E1)**

Vice Chair Kuo introduced the process of the Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

On motion of Director Ward and second by Director Wagner, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 7-0 to approve the process as proposed for the election of a Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

Director Ward nominated Director Kalmick for Chair; with a second by Director Kuo.

There were no additional nominations.

Director Chun motioned to close the nominations, with a second by Director Wagner. Director Kalmick accepted the nomination.

On motion of Director Chun and second by Director Wagner, and following a roll call vote, declared 7-0 Director Kalmick Chair for the ensuing term until April 2023.

Vice Chair Kuo opened the nominations for Committee Vice Chair.

Director Kalmick nominated Director Ward for Vice Chair; with a second by Director Kuo. Director Ward accepted the nomination.

Director Rains moved to close the nominations, with a second by Director Wagner, and following a roll call vote, declared 7-0 Director Ward as Vice Chair for the ensuing term until April 2023.

Newly elected Chair Kalmick requested that Vice Chair Kuo continue to chair the balance of the Committee meeting.

**B. Quarterly Legislative Update (FILE 11.10F1)**

Assistant Chief Robert Cortez introduced Legislative Affairs Manager Jay Barkman who presented the Quarterly Legislative Update, and introduced two legislative firms and their representatives, Senior Policy Advisor Lisa Barkovic of Holland and Knight, and Partner John Moffatt of Nielsen Merksamer.

On motion of Director Ward and second by Director Wagner, and following a roll call vote, approved 7-0 to receive and file the report.

**C. Quarterly Public Affairs Update (FILE 11.10F1)**

Director of Communications Matt Olson presented the Quarterly Public Affairs Update. He introduced OCFA Public Relations Manager Sophia Champieux who provided background to the recently released Drowning Prevention public service announcements.

On motion of Director Kalmick and second by Director Ward, and following a roll call vote, approved 7-0 to receive and file the report.

**D. 2022-2023 Preliminary Legislative & Public Affairs Committee Calendar (FILE 12.02E1 and 12.02E2)**

Assistant Chief Robert Cortez presented the 2022-2023 Preliminary Legislative & Public Affairs Committee Calendar.

Discussion ensued.

On motion of Director Wagner and second by Director Rains, and following a roll call vote, approved 7-0 to receive and file the 2022-2023 preliminary Legislative & Public Affairs Committee calendar.

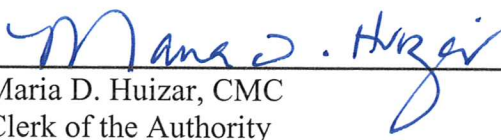
**REPORTS**

No items.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT** - Vice Chair Kuo adjourned the meeting at 12:57 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 12:00 p.m.

  
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Maria D. Huizar, CMC  
Clerk of the Authority