



ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY AGENDA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 26, 2023
6:00 P.M.

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

Link to:

[Board of Directors Member Roster](#)

NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC ACCESS AND PARTICIPATION

This meeting is open to the public. Committee members will participate in person. There are several alternative ways to make comments including:

In Person Comments at Meeting: Resolution No. 97-024 established rules of decorum for public meetings held by the Orange County Fire Authority. Resolution No. 97-024 is available from the Clerk of the Authority.

Any member of the public may address the Committee on items within their subject matter jurisdiction, but which are not listed on this agenda during PUBLIC COMMENTS. However, no action may be taken on matters that are not part of the posted agenda. We request comments made on the agenda be made at the time the item is considered and that comments be limited to three minutes per person. Please address your comments to the Committee and do not engage in dialogue with individual Board Members, Authority staff, or members of the audience.

If you wish to speak, please complete a Speaker Form identifying which item(s) you wish to address. Please return the completed form to the Clerk of the Authority prior to item being considered. Speaker Forms are available at the entryway of meeting location.

E-Comments: Alternatively, you may email your written comments to coa@ocfa.org. E-comments will be provided to the Committee members upon receipt and will be part of the meeting record as long as they are received during or before the Committee takes action on an item. Emails related to an item that are received after the item has been acted upon by the Committee will not be considered.

This Agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. Except as otherwise provided by law, no action or discussion shall be taken on any item not appearing on the following Agenda. Unless legally privileged, all supporting documents, including staff reports, and any writings or documents provided to a majority of the board members after the posting of this agenda are available for review at the Orange County Fire Authority Regional Fire Operations & Training Center, 1 Fire Authority Road, Irvine, CA 92602 or you may contact the Clerk of the Authority at (714) 573-6040 Monday through Thursday, and every other Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and available online at <http://www.ocfa.org>



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CALL TO ORDER by Chair Rossini

INVOCATION by OCFA Chaplain Jim Gwaltney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by Director Patel

ROLL CALL by Clerk of the Authority

REPORTS

- A. Report from Budget and Finance Committee Chair O’Neill**
- B. Report from Legislative and Public Affairs Committee Chair Foley**
- C. Report from the Fire Chief**
 - Girls Empowerment Camp
 - Station Open Houses
 - Wildland Media Training
 - Organizational Doctrine

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Please refer to instructions on how to submit a public comment on Page 1 of this Agenda.

1. PRESENTATION

- A. Recognition of GFOA Budget Award**
- B. Procurement Award**

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters on the consent calendar are considered routine and are to be approved with one motion unless a director or a member of the public requests separate action on a specific item.

- A. [Minutes for the Board of Directors](#)**

Submitted by: Maria D. Huizar, Clerk of the Authority

The record will show that any Director not in attendance at the meeting of the Minutes will be registered as an abstention, unless otherwise indicated.

Recommended Action:

Approve the Minutes for the September 28, 2023, Regular Meeting as submitted.

B. FY 2022 Grant for All Hazard-All Risks Regional Training and Hazardous Materials Support Vehicle

Submitted by: Shane Sherwood, Assistant Chief/Field Operations North and Nick Freeman, Division Chief

On October 17, 2023, the Budget and Finance Committee reviewed the proposed agenda item and directed staff to place the item on the Executive Committee agenda by a vote of 6-0 (Directors Bourne, Gabbard, and Hasselbrink absent).

Recommended Action:

Approve a Budget Adjustment in Fund 121 to increase revenue and expenditures by \$460,563.64 for the grant program award.

C. 2023 Legislative Summary

Submitted by: Robert Cortez, Assistant Chief/Business Services Department and Jay Barkman, Legislative Affairs Manager

On October 18, 2023, the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee reviewed the proposed agenda item and directed staff to place the item on the Board agenda by a vote of 4-0 (Directors Wagner, Kalmick and Hertz-Mallari absent).

Recommended Action:

Receive and file the report and adopt recommended bill position changes as described in the report.

3. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

A. Proposed Revisions to the Board Rules of Procedure and Legislative and Public Affairs Committee Protocols

Submitted by: Katrina Foley, Chair, Legislative and Public Affairs Committee

On October 18, 2023, the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee reviewed the proposed agenda item and directed staff to place the item on the Board agenda by a vote of 4-0 (Directors Wagner, Kalmick and Hertz-Mallari absent).

Recommended Action:

1. Approve the revisions to the Legislative & Public Affairs Committee Protocols.
2. Adopt the Resolution to amend the Board Rules of Procedure to reflect the revisions to the Committee.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Brown Act permits legislative bodies to discuss certain matters without members of the public present. The Board of Directors find, based on advice from the General Counsel, that discussion in open session of the following matter will prejudice the position of the Authority on item listed below:

CS1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION pursuant to paragraph (2) and (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code: One (1) Case

CS2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Chief Negotiators: Board Chair Rossini, Board Vice Chair & Budget and Finance Committee Chair O’Neill, and Immediate Past Board Chair Shawver
 Position: Fire Chief

CS3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POSSIBLE INITIATION OF LITIGATION pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 of the Government Code: One (1) Case

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

CLOSED SESSION REPORT by General Counsel

ADJOURNMENT – The next meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors will be on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury and as required by the State of California, Government Code § 54954.2(a), that the foregoing Agenda was posted in the lobby and front gate public display case of the Orange County Fire Authority, Regional Fire Operations and Training Center, 1 Fire Authority Road, Irvine, CA, not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Maria D. Huizar, CMC
 Clerk of the Authority

FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS – THREE-MONTH OUTLOOK:

- GFOA Annual Comprehensive Financial Report Award
- OCFA JPA Study Session
- QRF 2024 Program
- Armed Security Services Contract
- Annual Statement of Investment Policy and Investment Authorization
- Annual Calendar of Regular Meetings in 2024
- Selection of Wildfire Resource Center

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Human Resources Committee
Budget & Finance Committee
Operations Committee
Executive Committee
Board of Directors

Tuesday, November 7, 2023, 12 noon
Wednesday, November 8, 2023, 12 noon
Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 12 noon
Thursday, November 16, 2023, 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 16, 2023, 6:00 p.m.