

# MINUTES

## ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

**Operations Committee Regular Meeting**  
**Tuesday, May 9, 2023**  
**12 Noon**

**Regional Fire Operations and Training Center**  
Classroom One  
1 Fire Authority Road  
Irvine, CA 92602

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### CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Operations Committee was called to order on May 9, 2023, at 12:04 p.m. by Chair Hertz-Mallari.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Ruesch led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### ROLL CALL:

Anne Hertz, Mallari, Cypress, Chair  
Joe Kalmick, Seal Beach  
John O'Neill, Garden Grove  
Vince Rossini, Villa Park  
Bob Ruesch, Mission Viejo  
Dave Shawver, Stanton

**ABSENT** Chris Duncan, San Clemente

### Also present were:

Fire Chief Brian Fennessy	Deputy Chief Lori Zeller
Deputy Chief TJ McGovern	Assistant Chief Robert Cortez
Assistant Chief Lori Smith	Assistant Chief Rob Capobianco
Assistant Chief Jim Ruane	Assistant Chief Tim Perkins
Assistant Chief Shane Sherwood	Assistant Chief Stephanie Holloman
Communications Director Matt Olson	Clerk of the Authority Maria D. Huizar
Assistant General Counsel Michael Daudt	

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

## **1. PRESENTATION (FILE 12.02F1)**

Deputy Chief TJ McGovern presented the Operations Quarterly Update.

## **2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

On motion of Director O'Neill and second by Director Kalmick, and by unanimous consent approved Agenda Item No. 2A (Director Duncan absent).

### **A. Minutes for the Operations Committee Meetings (FILE 12.02F2)**

Action: Approve the Minutes for the February 14, 2023, Regular Meeting as submitted.

## **3. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

### **A. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair (FILE 12.02F1)**

Chair Hertz-Mallari proposed the election process for Chair and Vice Chair.

On motion of Director O' Neill, and second by Director Rossini, and by unanimous consent, approved the process as proposed for the election (Director Duncan absent).

Director Shawver nominated Director Ruesch for Chair; Director O'Neill seconded the motion.

There were no additional nominations; Director Ruesch accepted the nomination.

On the nomination of Director Ruesch, and by unanimous consent Director Ruesch was declared Chair of the Operations Committee for the ensuing term (Director Duncan absent).

Chair Hertz-Mallari resumed the proceedings for Vice Chair.

Director Rossini nominated Director Kalmick; Director O'Neill seconded the motion.

There were no additional nominations, Director Kalmick accepted the nomination.

On the nomination of Director Kalmick, and by unanimous consent Director Kalmick was declared the Vice Chair of the Operations Committee for the ensuing term (Director Duncan absent).

Past Chair Hertz-Mallari resumed the proceedings of the meeting.

**B. Update on New Fire Hawk S70M Helicopters (FILE 12.02F1)**

Assistant Chief Tim Perkins provided an update on the New Fire Hawk S70M Helicopters.

The Committee received and filed the report.

**REPORTS**

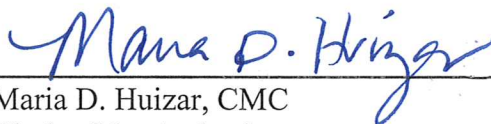
No items.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS (FILE 12.02F4)**

Director Hertz-Mallari (Cypress), the City recently presented the “Every 15 Minutes” program for high school juniors and seniors, which challenges them to think about drinking, driving, personal safety, and the responsibility of making mature decisions and the impact of those decisions have on family, friends, their community, and many others.

Director Kalmick (Seal Beach), noted that he participated in an active shooter drill, where OCFA firefighters were participants as well.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Past Chair Hertz-Mallari adjourned the meeting at 1:03 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Operations Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 12:00 p.m.

  
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Maria D. Huizar, CMC  
Clerk of the Authority