MINUTES ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Special Meeting Thursday, July 1, 2015 6:00 P.M.

Regional Fire Operations and Training Center Board Room

1 Fire Authority Road Irvine, CA 92602-0125

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors was called to order on July 1, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Murray.

INVOCATION

Chaplain Bob George offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Robert Baker, San Clemente Lisa Bartlett, County of Orange Gerard Goedhart, La Palma Noel Hatch, Laguna Woods Robert Johnson, Cypress Jeffrey Lalloway, Irvine Al Murray, Tustin Dwight Robinson, Lake Forest David Shawver, Stanton Elizabeth Swift, Buena Park

Absent: Angelica Amezcua, Santa Ana Don Sedgwick, Laguna Hills Tri Ta, Westminster

Also present were:

Fire Chief Jeff Bowman
Assistant Chief Lori Zeller
Assistant Chief David Thomas
General Counsel David Kendig
Clerk of the Authority Sherry Wentz

Rick Barnett, Villa Park
Carol Gamble, Rancho Santa Margarita
Craig Green, Placentia
Gene Hernandez, Yorba Linda
Warren Kusumoto, Los Alamitos
Jerry McCloskey, Laguna Niguel
John Perry, San Juan Capistrano
Ed Sachs, Mission Viejo
David Sloan, Seal Beach
Richard Vizcorek, Alternate, Dana Point

Joseph Muller, Dana Point Todd Spitzer, County of Orange Phillip Tsunoda, Aliso Viejo

Assistant Chief Lori Smith Assistant Chief Brian Young Assistant Chief Mike Schroeder Communications Director Sandy Cooney Human Resources Director Jeremy Hammond

1. PRESENTATIONS

No items.

REPORTS

No items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (F: 11.11)

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

2. MINUTES

No items.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

No items.

4. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

No items.

5. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

A. Third Amendment to the Amended Joint Powers Authority Agreement – Orange County Fire Authority (F: 10.02)

Assistant Chief Lori Zeller summarized the staff report.

Director Barnett arrived at this point (6:20 p.m.)

Lengthy discussion ensued.

On motion of Director Gamble and second by Vice Chair Hernandez, the Board of Directors voted to:

- 1. Approve the form of the Third Amendment to the Amended JPA Agreement.
- 2. Direct staff to submit the proposed Third Amendment to the Amended JPA Agreement to the OCFA's member agencies for consideration by each member agency's governing body.

Directors Bartlett, Lalloway, and Sloan voted in opposition.

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Director Lalloway left at this point (6:55 p.m.)

B. Legislative Update AB 1217 (F: 11.10F4)

Director of Communications and Public Affairs Sandy Cooney provided an update to legislative actions on AB 1217.

On motion of Director Gamble and second by Director Shawver, the Board of Directors voted to direct staff to draft a letter addressed to State Assembly Member Tom Daly, State Senator Robert Hertzberg, and copied to the full Senate Committee of Governance and Finance clarifying the actions taken by the Board. Directors Sloan and Vizcorek voted in opposition. Director Lalloway absent for the vote.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS (F: 11.13)

Director Kusumoto questioned if Assembly Bill 1217 passes, will it force current member cities to stay in the OCFA. He noted currently the JPA allows a city to give notice of its intent to withdraw from the OCFA and formally withdraw two years later. He noted in the current JPA there is a provision for a city to be dismissed for lack of payment.

Clerk of the Authority Sherry Wentz notified the Board of Directors that the Human Resources Committee and Budget and Finance Committee meetings scheduled for July 7 and July 8 respectively, were cancelled, due to scheduling conflicts with the pending AB 1217 hearing and both meetings had been rescheduled for Wednesday, July 15, 2015.

Fire Chief Bowman announced an upcoming July 9, 2015, OCFA Fire/EMS Demonstration for both City Managers and Board Members who have not had the opportunity to attend the presentation.

Director Sachs stated the City of Mission Viejo has scheduled its vote on the JPA Third Amendment for July 6, 2015. He noted attending a recent community services mock drowning exercise and asked the Mission Viejo Lake Board to schedule a presentation for residents at its facility.

Director Shawver requested clarification on the final vote for AB 1217 in the Assembly.

Communications and Public Affairs Director Sandy Cooney reported the legislation needed 41 to pass; the vote was 44-25.

Director Sloan noted his reason for voting in opposition to the JPA Third Amendment was that he has not yet discussed this subject with his fellow Council Members.

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Director Murray stated the City of Tustin has scheduled its vote on the JPA Third Amendment for July 7, 2015. He thanked everyone for being at the meeting and those who traveled on behalf of OCFA to Sacramento.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Murray adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m. The next special meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for July 23, 2015, at 5:30 p.m.

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Clerk of the Authority