

# MINUTES ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

**Budget and Finance Committee Meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 9, 2015**  
**12:00 Noon**

**Regional Fire Operations and Training Center**  
**Room AE117**  
**1 Fire Authority Road**  
**Irvine, CA 92602**

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Budget and Finance Committee was called to order on September 9, 2015, at 12:00 p.m. by Chair McCloskey.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

## **ROLL CALL**

### **Present:**

Gerard Goedhart, La Palma  
Gene Hernandez, Yorba Linda  
Jerry McCloskey, Laguna Niguel  
Al Murray, Tustin  
Elizabeth Swift, Buena Park  
Tri Ta, Westminster

### **Absent:**

Todd Spitzer, County of Orange

### **Also present were:**

Fire Chief Jeff Bowman  
Assistant Chief Lori Smith  
Assistant Chief Brian Young  
Human Resources Director Jeremy Hammond  
Clerk of the Authority Sherry Wentz

Assistant Chief Michael Schroeder  
Assistant Chief David Thomas  
Assistant Chief Lori Zeller  
Communications Director Sandy Cooney  
Ex-Officio City Manager Bruce Channing

## **1. PRESENTATIONS**

No items.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS (F: 12.02B3)**

Chair McCloskey opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting. Chair McCloskey closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting without any public comments.

## **2. MINUTES**

### **A. Minutes for the August 12, 2015, Budget and Finance Committee Meeting (F: 12.02B2)**

On motion of Director Murray and second by Director Ta, the Committee voted to approve the Minutes for the August 12, 2015, Budget and Finance Committee meeting as submitted.

## **3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

No items.

## **4. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

### **A. Monthly Investment Report (F: 11.10D2)**

Treasurer Tricia Jakubiak provided an overview of the Monthly Investment Report.

On motion of Director Hernandez and second by Director Ta, the Committee voted unanimously by those present to direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Executive Committee meeting of September 17, 2015, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Executive Committee receive and file the reports.

Director Murray asked Chair McCloskey if he would consider moving-up Agenda Item No. 4D on the agenda, since he needed to leave today's meeting early due to a scheduling conflict.

Chair McCloskey, using his discretion as the Chair, brought forward Agenda Item No. 4D.

### **D. Start-Up Funds/Orange County Task Force on Drowning Prevention (F: 20.18)**

Director of Communications and Public Affairs Sandy Cooney provided an overview of the Start-Up Funds/Orange County Task Force on Drowning Prevention.

On motion of Director Ta and second by Director Murray, the Committee voted unanimously by those present to direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting of September 24, 2015, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Board authorize the following:

1. Increase appropriations in the FY 2015/16 General Fund budget not to exceed \$25,000 for seed funding for the Orange County Drowning Prevention Task Force contingent upon the contribution of funds from other agencies.
2. Direct staff, in collaboration with county agencies, to develop a plan for use of the funds for start-up expenses, to include market research and focus groups.

Director Murray left at this point (12:30 p.m.).

**B. Interim Regional Fire Operations and Training Center (RFOTC) Security Enhancements (F: 19.07B2)**

Assistant Chief Mike Schroeder presented a report on the interim RFOTC security enhancements.

On motion of Director Ta and second by Vice Chair Swift, the Committee voted unanimously by those present to direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting of September 24, 2015, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Board approve the recommended action.

**C. Rebudget of FY 2014/15 Uncompleted Projects (F: 15.04 14/15)**

Assistant Chief Lori Zeller provided a report on the rebudget of FY 2014/15 for uncompleted projects.

On motion of Director Goedhart and second by Director Ta, the Committee voted unanimously by those present to place the item on the agenda for the Board of Directors' meeting of September 24, 2015, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Board of Directors take the following actions:

Authorize the following FY 2015/16 budget adjustments, which are funded from unexpended fund balance available from FY 2014/15:

Fund	Increase Revenue	Increase Appropriations	Appropriate Fund Balance
121 – General Fund	\$956,729	\$1,541,022	\$584,293
12110 – General Fund CIP	0	822,032	822,032
12150 – Facilities Maintenance	0	400,000	400,000
133 – Vehicle Replacement	0	1,894,965	1,894,965

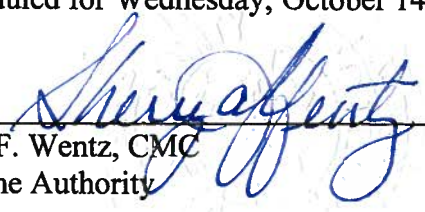
**REPORTS (F: 12.02B6)**

Assistant Chief Lori Zeller provided an oral report on the Grand Jury Report entitled “Unfunded Retiree Healthcare Obligations – A Problem for Public Agencies?” She reported that while this report was not officially transmitted to the OCFA by the Grand Jury, it has come to our attention that the report identifies the OCFA as a respondent. As time is of the essence, this report will not be presented to the committee, as is normal OCFA practice, but be directly routed to the full Board for its consideration in order to meet the required Grand Jury deadline.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS (F: 12.02B4)**

Vice Chair Swift reported attending Seal Beach’s Mock Drowning/Rescue Exercise.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Chair McCloskey adjourned the meeting at 12:37 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, October 14, 2015, at 12:00 noon.

  
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Sherry A.F. Wentz, CMC  
Clerk of the Authority