

MINUTES

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Legislative and Public Affairs Committee
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2024
12:00 Noon

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

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee was called to order on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 12:06 p.m. by Vice Chair Traut.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Kalmick led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Katrina Foley, County of Orange, Chair (12:10 p.m.)
Connor Traut, Buena Park, Vice Chair
Ross Chun, Aliso Viejo
Joe Kalmick, Seal Beach
Donald P. Wagner, County of Orange

Absent: Chris Duncan, San Clemente

Anne Mallari, Cypress

Also present were:

Fire Chief Brian Fennessy
Assistant Chief Robert Cortez
Assistant Chief Rob Capobianco
Clerk of the Authority Maria D. Huizar

Deputy Chief Lori Zeller
Assistant Chief Lori Smith
Director of Communications Matt Olson
Assistant General Counsel Michael Daudt

1. PRESENTATION

No items.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Director Wagner and second by Director Chun, approved 4-0 Agenda Items No. 2A-2B (Directors Duncan, Foley, and Mallari absent).

A. Minutes for the Legislative & Public Affairs Committee Meeting (FILE 12.02E2)

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

Action: Approve the Minutes for the January 17, 2024, Regular Meeting as submitted.

B. Quarterly Public Affairs Update (FILE 12.02E5)

Action: Receive and file.

Director Foley arrived at 12:10 a.m.

3. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

A. Legislative Report (FILE 12.02E5)

Assistant Chief Cortez presented the item, and introduced John Moffatt, Partner of Nielsen Merksamer, and Lisa Barkovic, Senior Policy Advisor of Holland & Knight, who provided Legislative Updates from State of California and U.S. Congressional Affairs, respectively.

On motion of Director Kalmick and second by Director Foley, approved 4-1 (Director Wagner opposed; Directors Duncan and Mallari absent).

B. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair (FILE 12,02E1)

Chair Foley introduced the election process for Committee Chair and Vice Chair; for 2024. She opened the nominations for Chair of the Committee.

Director Traut nominated Director Foley for the position of Chair, Director Chun seconded the motion. Director Foley accepted the nomination.

There were no additional nominations.

On motion of Director Traut, by a unanimous vote, declared passed 5-0 (Directors Duncan and Mallari absent) Director Foley as Chair of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee for the ensuing year.

Director Kalmick nominated Director Traut for the position of Vice Chair for the ensuing year, Director Foley seconded the motion. Director Traut accepted the nomination.

There were no additional nominations.

By a unanimous vote declared passed 5-0 (Directors Duncan and Mallari absent) Director Traut as Vice Chair of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee for the ensuing year.


REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Foley adjourned the meeting at 12:46 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.



Maria D. Huizar, CMC
Clerk of the Authority