



ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regular Meeting Agenda

Thursday, April 23, 2026
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. Board 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 Board 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 Board 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 Board members upon receipt and will be part of the meeting record as long as they are received during or before the Board acts on an item. Emails related to an item that are received after the item has been acted upon by the Board 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>



In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and [Board of Directors policy](#), if you need reasonable accommodations to participate in this meeting, please complete the [ADA Reasonable Accommodation Form](#) available on the Agency's website and email to COA@ocfa.org, or you may contact the Clerk of the Authority at (714) 573-6040 during regular business hours to submit your request orally. Please notify us at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to enable the Authority to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER by Chair Sweeney

INVOCATION by OCFA Chaplain Jim Gwaltney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by Director Tetteimer

ROLL CALL by Clerk of the Authority

REPORTS

A. Report from the Budget and Finance Committee

B. Report from the Interim Fire Chief

- Dispatcher Recognition
- FireOps Recap

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

1. PRESENTATION

None.

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 Meeting

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 Actions:

Approve the Minutes for the March 26, 2026 Regular Meeting as submitted.

B. Single Audit Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Submitted by: Sara Kennedy, Assistant Chief/Business Services Department, Paul Espinoza, Accounting Manager/Finance Division and Dawn Lien, CPA Senior Accountant/Finance Division

Recommended Action:

Receive and approve the report.

C. Fiscal Year 2024/25 Backfill/Overtime and Calendar Year 2025 Total Earnings/Compensation Analysis

Submitted by: Robert C. Cortez, Deputy Chief/Administration & Support Bureau and Sara Kennedy, Assistant Chief/Business Services Department

Recommended Actions:

1. Direct staff to continue pursuing reductions in overtime by filling vacant positions as quickly as possible after the positions become vacant.
2. Direct staff to continue using overtime to fill shifts which are temporarily vacant, recognizing this as a cost-effective practice for temporary needs.

D. Amendment to County Island Fire and Medical Services Agreement with the City of Fountain Valley

Submitted by: Sara Kennedy, Assistant Chief/Business Services Department and Baryic Hunter, Assistant Chief/Field Operations North

Recommended Action:

Approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign the Seventh Amendment to the Agreement with the City of Fountain Valley extending the term through June 30, 2026, for the purpose of providing fire and medical services to county unincorporated area (county island) located within, or adjacent to, the boundaries of the city.

E. Appointment of Interim Clerk for the Authority

Submitted by: Robert C. Cortez, Deputy Chief/Administration & Support Bureau and Sara Kennedy, Assistant Chief/Business Services Department

Recommended Action:

Approve and adopt the proposed Resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY, ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING AN INTERIM CLERK FOR THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

3. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**A. 2025 Long Term Liability Study and Accelerated Pension Payment Plan**

Submitted by: Sara Kennedy, Assistant Chief/Business Services Department and James Slobojan, Treasurer/Treasury & Financial Planning

Recommended Action:
Receive and file the report.

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 – EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Gov’t Code § 54956.9):
Information Management Technologies, Inc. v. OCFA, U.S.D.C. C.D. Cal. Case No. 8:26-CV-00744.

CS2. 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

CS3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant to section 54957.6 of the Government Code:

Negotiators:

Peter Brown, Liebert Cassidy, Robert C. Cortez,
Deputy Chief/ Administration & Support Bureau;
and Stephanie Holloman, Assistant Chief/Human
Resources Director

Employee Organizations:

(1) Orange County Professional Firefighters
Association, IAFF - Local 3631
(2) Orange County Employees Association
(OCEA)

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURNMENT – The next regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Board of Directors will be on Thursday, May 28, 2026, 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.

NAME:
Clerk of the Authority

FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS – THREE-MONTH OUTLOOK:

- Proposed FY 2026-27 Budget Adoption
- Assistance by Hire/Cost Recovery Rates
- Award of RFP for OCFA Rancho Mission Viejo Wildfire Facility Design-Build Agreement
- Acceptance and Transfer of Real Property for OCFA Fire Station 5
- Senate Bill 707 Policy

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Human Resources Committee (Cancelled)	Tuesday, May 5, 2026, 12 noon
Operations Committee	Tuesday, May 12, 2026, 12 noon
Budget and Finance Committee	Wednesday, May 15, 2026, 12 noon
Executive Committee	Thursday, May 28, 2026, 5:30 p.m.
Board of Directors	Thursday, May 28, 2026, 6:00 p.m.