

MINUTES

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Budget and Finance Committee Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 14, 2026
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 Orange County Fire Authority Budget and Finance Committee was called to order on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, by Chair Lumbard at 12:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Traut led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Austin Lumbard, Tustin, Chair
Joshua Sweeney, Laguna Hills
Janet Nguyen, County of Orange
Nitesh Patel, La Palma, Vice Chair
David Burke, Cypress
Connor Traut, Buena Park

Absent: Shelley Hasselbrink, Los Alamitos
Chi Charlie Nguyen, Westminster
Mike Munzing, Aliso Viejo

Staff present:

Deputy Chief Robert C. Cortez
Assistant Chief Jim Ruane
Assistant Chief Baryic Hunter
Assistant Chief Stephanie Holloman
General Counsel David Kendig
Acting Fire Chief TJ McGovern
Assistant Chief Sara Kennedy
Assistant Chief Matt Olson
Assistant Clerk Martha Halvorson

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

1. PRESENTATION

No items.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Director J. Nguyen and second by Director Traut, approved 6-0 Agenda Item Nos. 2A-2C (Directors C. Nguyen, Munzing and Hasselbrink absent).

A. Minutes for the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting (FILE 12.02B2)

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.

Action: Approve the Minutes for the November 12, 2025, Regular Meeting as submitted.

B. Annual Grant Priorities for 2026 (FILE 11.10G)

Action: Review the proposed agenda item and direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting of January 22, 2026, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Board of Directors approve OCFA's Annual Grant Priorities for 2026.

C. FY 2024 Grant for Urban Area Security Initiative (FILE 16.02H2)

Action: Review the proposed agenda item and direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting of January 22, 2026, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendations that the Board of Directors approve a Budget Adjustment in Fund 121 to increase revenue and expenditures by \$629,920.

3. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

A. Monthly Investment Reports (FILE 11.10D2)

Treasurer James Slobojan presented the report.

On motion of Director Traut and second by Director Lumbard, approved 6-0 (Directors C. Nguyen, Hasselbrink and Munzing absent), to review the proposed agenda item and direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Executive Committee meeting of January 22, 2026, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Executive Committee receive and file the reports.

B. FY 2025/2026 Mid-Year Financial Report (FILE 15.04)

Deputy Chief Cortez presented the report.

On motion of Director Lumbar and second by Director Patel, approved 6-0 (Directors C. Nguyen, Hasselbrink and Munzing absent) to review the proposed agenda item and direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting of January 22, 2026, with the Budget and Finance Committee's recommendation that the Board of Directors take the following actions: Direct staff to return to the Board of Directors on March 26, 2026 for approval of the budget adjustments discussed herein for the FY 2025/26 budget.

REPORTS

None.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Lumbar adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 12 noon.



Martha Halvorson, CMC
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