

MINUTES

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Legislative and Public Affairs Committee
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, January 21, 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 Legislative and Public Affairs Committee was called to order on Wednesday, January 21 2026, at 12:00 p.m. by Chair Wagner.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Burke led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Provided by Clerk of Authority Maria D. Huizar

Present: Donald P. Wagner, County of Orange, Chair
Phil Bacerra, Santa Ana
David Burke, Cypress
Kelly Jennings, Laguna Niguel
Chi Charlie Nguyen, Westminster
Victor Cabral, San Clemente

Absent: Janet Nguyen, County of Orange

Also Present were:

Acting Chief TJ McGovern
Assistant Chief Matt Olson
Assistant Chief Mike Summers
Assistant Chief Holloman
Clerk of the Authority Maria Huizar

Deputy Chief Robert C. Cortez
Assistant Chief Sara Kennedy
Assistant Chief Capobianco
Assistant General Counsel Michael Daudt

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

1. PRESENTATION

No items.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Director Bacerra and second by Director Burke, approved Agenda Item No. 2A 6-0 (Director J. Nguyen 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 October 15, 2025, Regular Meeting as submitted.

3. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

A. Legislative Update (FILE 12.02E5)

Deputy Chief Cortez presented the report.

By consensus the Committee received and filed the Legislative Update.

B. Draft 2026 Priority Projects List for State and Federal Funding (FILE 12.02E5)

Legislative Affairs Program Manager Kenneth Piguee presented the Report. He introduced John Moffatt and Geoff Neill of Nielsen Merksamer Parrinello Gross & Leoni, and Lisa Barkovic of Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP who provided both State and Federal legislative updates, respectively.

By consensus the Committee received and filed the draft 2026 Priority Projects list.

C. Quarterly Public Affairs Update (FILE 12.02E5)

Assistant Chief Olson presented the Update.

By consensus the Committee received and filed the report.

REPORT

None.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Wagner adjourned the meeting at 12:51 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.



Maria D. Huizar, CMC
Clerk of the Authority