



Government Affairs & Legislative Affairs Update

March 3, 2017

Irvine City Council: The next City Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 14. The agenda is not yet available.

Orange County Board of Supervisors: The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, March 14. The agenda can be found by [clicking here](#).

Local:

South Orange County Community College District celebrates its golden anniversary (OC Register)

The South Orange County Community College District celebrated its 50th anniversary at the Board of Trustees meeting, Feb. 27, at Saddleback College.

Anger and fear rise as Jewish communities experience more threats (OC Register)

It's a grim routine, and on Monday it played out again.

Irvine brings back commission to fight traffic congestion (OC Register)

The city took a step toward solving what many residents consider its most pressing issue – traffic congestion.

Banc of California to sell home loans division, carve employee count in half (OC Register)

Banc of California in Irvine has sold its home loan division, according to a Tuesday filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which will carve its employee count down by nearly half.

\$635,000 price for O.C. homes is smallest gain since 2015 (OC Register)

Higher mortgage rates failed to put a damper on the local housing market, with both home prices and sales showing gains in January from year-ago levels, CoreLogic reported Monday.

State:

Traffic deaths spike in California, U.S. (CalWatchdog)

Following a nationwide trend, traffic deaths in California have spiked, alarming analysts and prompting fresh questions about technological distractions like smartphones, and fueling debate over how policymakers can or should respond.

California prison reform laws under fire in aftermath suspected gang member's murder of Whittier cop (CalWatchdog)

After the killing of a Whittier police officer by a man with suspected gang ties, new focus is being drawn onto California Assembly Bill 109 – legislation signed into law by Gov. Brown in 2011 that critics say illustrates the danger of putting repeat offenders back on the street too soon.

Sacramento Democrats propose single-payer health care in California (CalWatchdog)

Sacramento Democrats have centered attention around a shot at universal health care for all Golden State residents.

Deferral of federal funds casts fresh doubt on California high-speed rail (CalWatchdog)

The new administration in Washington, D.C., has added another hurdle to California's already difficult road to high-speed rail.

Bridge woes compound California infrastructure troubles (CalWatchdog)

Dams aren't the only part of California infrastructure on the hot seat. Following a big-ticket Sacramento request for federal building funds, a new report has concluded that the number of state bridges in dangerously inadequate condition reaches into the thousands.

National:

Trump officials seek to delay Obama rule on investment advisers (The Hill)

The timing of a House committee session to work on ObamaCare replacement legislation is in flux as Republicans seek to flesh out the document.

Corporate world at war over GOP's border tax (The Hill)

Corporate America is deeply divided over the proposal from House Republicans to tax imports and exempt exports.

GOP considers excluding rich from healthcare tax credits: report (The Hill)

Republicans are considering excluding the wealthy from new tax credits under their ObamaCare replacement plan, according to documents obtained by Politico.

Have a great weekend, everyone.



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