



Government Affairs & Legislative Affairs Update

June 30, 2017

Irvine City Council: The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, July 11. The agenda is not yet available.

Orange County Board of Supervisors: The next regularly scheduled meeting is Tuesday, July 11. The agenda can be found by [clicking here](#).

Government Affairs Committee: Join us next Thursday, July 6 as **Executive Director of the Irvine Community Land Trust Mark Asturias** will address business leaders during the final installment of the Chamber's Summer Housing Series, focusing his discussion on the operation of the Trust and how it helps provide housing to low- and moderate-income families, enabling them to become homeowners. For more information [click here](#).

Local:

A water park by Wild Rivers is a step closer for Irvine's Great Park (OC Register)

A 30-acre water park, complete with an uphill water coaster, water slides and lazy river, is a step closer to making a monumental splash at the Orange County Great Park.

Irvine council gets final vote on hotel and 15-story office project across from John Wayne Airport (OC Register)

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The City Council will decide whether a mixed-use project with a 389-room hotel and 15-story office building across the street from the John Wayne Airport can move forward.

Irvine homebuying: What's the hottest neighborhood? (OC Register)

Homebuying in Irvine in 2017's first three months could not keep pace with countywide sales advance.

Orange County pinching pennies on transportation (OC Register)

The cost of transportation is a critical expense in any budget, corporate or consumer.

State:

Legal effort launched in effort to block recall of Sen. Josh Newman (OC Register)

Drama in the effort to recall state Sen. Josh Newman continued Thursday as supporters of the Fullerton Democrat filed a lawsuit seeking to invalidate the recall petition submitted Tuesday, March 27. The nearly 85,000 signatures on the petition are expected to qualify the recall for the ballot.

'Huge milestone' for Delta tunnels – feds say they won't push fish over the brink (SacBee)

The Delta tunnels got a crucial green light from two federal agencies Monday when scientists said the controversial project can co-exist with the endangered fish that inhabit the waters of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Assembly speaker shelves single-payer health bill (CalWatchdog)

Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, D-Paramount, an avowed supporter of single-payer health care, nevertheless announced last week that he was pulling the plug on a Senate-passed measure that would create such a system in California.

Is California budget as ‘balanced and progressive’ as Gov. Brown suggests? (CalWatchdog)

The California Assembly and Senate have until Thursday to approve the budget deal announced by Gov. Jerry Brown last week, but there's little uncertainty about the outcome.

National:

Trump approves US-Mexico pipeline: ‘That’ll go right under the wall’ (The Hill)

President Trump approved construction of a new pipeline between the United States and Mexico Thursday, saying it will go “right under” the wall he plans to build along the border.

CBO: GOP healthcare bill would cut Medicaid by 35 percent over next 20 years (The Hill)

The Senate's healthcare bill would cut Medicaid spending by 35 percent over the next 20 years, according to a new analysis from the Congressional Budget Office (CBO).

Conservatives seek changes to Senate healthcare bill (The Hill)

Conservative senators seeking changes to the chamber's ObamaCare repeal-and-replace legislation met Thursday with GOP leaders and the Senate parliamentarian.

Senators introduce new bipartisan energy bill (The Hill)

The leading senators overseeing energy policy introduced a new version of their broad energy reform bill Thursday.

White House outlines who can travel under Trump's ban (The Hill)

The White House has outlined who can and cannot come to the United States under President Trump's temporary travel ban, which goes into effect at 8 p.m. on Thursday.

Happy 4th of July!

241 years ago on July 4, 1776 the Continental Congress adopted the Declaration of Independence and stated the American colonies were no longer part of the British Empire. Each year we celebrate with patriotism and appreciation for all of those who came before us to afford us the opportunity to live in a free nation. For a list of local celebrations [click here](#).

The Greater Irvine Chamber of Commerce will be closed on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4 in observance of the holiday.

As always, have a happy and safe holiday weekend! Please don't forget to use your ride-sharing apps to help keep the roads safe.



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