



MINUTES

HEALTH & WELLNESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

February 9, 2026

Conference & Training Center (CTC)
1 Civic Center Plaza
Irvine, CA 92606

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Health & Wellness Advisory Committee was called to order at 5:03 p.m. on February 9, 2026, in the Conference & Training Center (CTC), Irvine Civic Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California.

ROLL CALL

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| Present: | 8 | Chair: | Phyllis Agran |
| | | Vice Chair: | Nakia Best |
| | | Committee Member: | Diane Aviles |
| | | Committee Member: | Natalie Hamilton |
| | | Committee Member: | Tiffany Im |
| | | Committee Member: | Melisa Masri |
| | | Committee Member: | Gabrielle Morrow |
| | | Committee Member: | Laura Rubio |
| Absent: | 3 | Committee Member: | Cynthia Haq |
| | | Committee Member: | Carolyn Inmon |
| | | Committee Member: | Ruby Villavisencio |

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Agran led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Each member introduced themselves and their respective backgrounds.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Social Services Quarterly Update

Ashley Chapman, Management Analyst, presented a Quarter 4 update on Social Services.

Committee discussion included: in-person service availability, outreach efforts, and data presented, including mental health metrics and outcome tracking. Additional discussion focused on primary service needs and affordable housing, including waitlist timelines and clarification on the meaning of “closing the loop.”

There were no public comments received.

By consensus of the members present (Committee Members Haq, Inmon, and Villacisencio absent), received and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

RJ De Rama and Marle Chen, Irvine Residents with Disabilities Advisory Committee Members, introduced themselves and expressed interest in ongoing collaboration; and noted areas of overlap and a desire to continue dialogue and maintain regular contact.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chair Agran encouraged vaccination in light of recent measles and flu concerns and referred the public to the California Department of Public Health’s evidence-based immunization schedule.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Heather Dion, Director of Health & Wellness, introduced Traci Stubbler, Child Care & Development Superintendent and Irvine Child Care Project Administrator, who provided information on the Family Support Network Developmental Screening. Superintendent/Administrator Stubbler also noted that on March 27, 2026, the City will host its first Family Support Network Free Developmental Screening at Deerfield Community Center, providing families with children ages 0–5 access to multiple screenings in one appointment.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION: Moved by Chair Agran, seconded by Committee Member Hamilton, and unanimously carried by those members present (Committee Members Haq, Inmon, and Villacisencio absent), to approve Consent Calendar Item No. 2.

2. MINUTES

ACTION:

Approved the minutes of a regular meeting of the Health & Wellness Advisory Meeting held on December 8, 2025.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3. HEALTH AND WELLNESS AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

Director Dion presented the staff report and responded to questions.

Committee discussion included: updating the Irvine Children, Youth and Families Strategic Plan to incorporate the newly identified data and priorities, with the goal of maintaining a single, comprehensive plan; and clarified the intent and one of the goals of the Disability Services Ad Hoc Subcommittee.

Director Dion provided options on how to integrate the subcommittee's work into the existing Strategic Plan and ways to avoid maintaining multiple overlapping planning documents; and suggested that the item return for Committee consideration at a later date, including a special meeting if needed, to allow additional work to be completed.

There were no public comments.

ACTION:

Moved by Chair Agran, seconded by Committee Member Hamilton, and unanimously carried by all members present (Committee Members Haq, Inmon, and Villacisencio absent), to:

Continue the item to a special meeting of the Health and Wellness Advisory Committee within 30-60 days to allow for a structured review of the City of Irvine Strategic Plan for Children, Youth and Families 2025-2030 and consideration of targeted updates informed by more recent data, evolving conditions, and emerging priorities, which will clarify and align the roles of the Office of Health & Wellness, Community Services and community partners.

Following Committee action, Director Dion proceeded with a presentation outlining the goals of the Behavioral Health Care Services Ad Hoc Subcommittee, with additional input provided by Committee Members Villavisencio, Rubio, Hamilton, and Aviles.

4. FUNDING PROCESS FOR COMMUNITY-BASED PARTNERSHIPS

Chair Agran provided opening comments regarding the need for the proposed policy.

Director Dion presented the staff report and responded to questions.

There were no public comments.

Committee discussion included: whether to consider suggested edits to the draft policy at the upcoming special meeting.

Director Dion suggested that Committee Members could email feedback for staff to compile and incorporate into the proposed policy for Committee consideration at the next regularly scheduled meeting in lieu of scheduling a special meeting.

ACTION:

Moved by Committee Member Im, seconded by Committee Member Rubio, and carried unanimously by those present (Committee Members Haq, Inmon, and Villacisencio absent), to:

Continue the item to the May 11, 2026, regular meeting and direct Committee Members to submit feedback via email.

5. NOMINATION AND SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR FOR 2026

There were no public comments.

Chair Agran declared nominations open for Chairperson.

One nomination was received for Chair Agran to continue serving as Chair for the ensuing year.

Chair Agran declared the nomination period closed and called for committee vote.

ACTION: By consensus of the members present Chair (Committee Members Haq, Inmon, and Villavisencio absent), Chair Agran was elected to continue serving as Chair for the ensuing year.

Chair Agran declared nominations open for Vice Chairperson.

One nomination was received for Vice Chair Best to continue serving as Vice Chair for the ensuing year.

Chair Agran declared the nomination period closed and called for committee vote.

ACTION: By consensus of the members present (Committee Members Haq, Inmon, and Villavisencio absent), Vice Chair Best was elected to continue serving as Vice Chair for the ensuing year.

ADJOURNMENT

By consensus of the members present (Committee Members Haq, Inmon, and Villacisencio absent), the meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.



PHYLLIS AGRAN
CHAIR



HEATHER DION
DIRECTOR OF HEALTH & WELLNESS



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