



# MINUTES

## IRVINE SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING

October 12, 2021

7:00 PM

QUAIL HILL COMMUNITY CENTER AND ZOOM  
39 SHADY CANYON DRIVE  
IRVINE, CALIFORNIA

### CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Irvine Sports Committee was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Chair Lambeth.

### ROLL CALL

#### PRESENT:

COMMITTEE MEMBER:	AYSO Region 213*	Doug Birozy
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Dolphins Baseball Club	Charles Yoon
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Soccer Academy*	Frank Fortier
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Knights Baseball Club	Dick Owens
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Pony Baseball*	Eric Gourley
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Ranch Little League*	Adrian Fan
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Travel Softball*	Chris Dallas
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Liverpool FC Int'l. Academy*	Dave Brown
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Northwood Little League*	Eddie Ollmann
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Pateadores Irvine*	Ben Forey
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Rox Baseball*	Michelle McNab
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	So Cal Elite Sports, Basketball	Cary Lambeth
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Southern California Youth Cricket Association*	Shantha Suraweera
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Member-At-Large*	Phil Wang
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Member-At-Large*	Miriam Gelfand
VICE CHAIR:	Matt Leinart Flag Football*	Ryan Bertoni
CHAIR:	So Cal Elite Sports, Volleyball*	Cary Lambeth

#### ABSENT:

COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Baseball Club	Eric Spivey
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Girls Softball Association*	Brian Tatro
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Irvine Youth Football*	Paul King

COMMITTEE MEMBER:	OC Fury Youth Baseball	Ryan Wood
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Orange County United FC	Bart Hess
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Ryan Lemmon Foundation	Larry Michaels
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Strikers FC Irvine*	Don Ebert
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Member-At-Large*	Faruk Bhagani
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Member-At-Large*	Kenton Fibel

**INTRODUCTIONS**

There were no introductions.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1. EAT LIKE THE PROS, CUSTOM ATHLETIC NUTRITION**

Duke Gallo with Eat like the Pros gave a presentation on how his company creates meal programs for custom athletic nutrition.

**2. PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

Scott Smith, Deputy Director of Public Works, provided general updates on City and Great Park athletic facilities. He also shared the power restrictions on Great Park fields 4 and 7 have been resolved. Committee members provided comments and feedback.

**3. GREAT PARK SOCCER STADIUM RFQ/P UPDATE**

Steven Stewart, Community Services Superintendent, provided a brief overview and status of the Great Park Soccer Stadium RFQ/P. Committee members shared the following comments:

- Ryan Bertoni, Committee Member, shared concerns with the soccer stadium only being programmed 15 percent of the year, and feels more opportunity for various programs should be accommodated; the Sports Committee and Irvine Community was promised a community facility when building the Great Park, and now it seems the stadium is being sold; is concerned of this being the start of full privatization of the Great Park, and what is next in this process; a recommendation to look into other options for income, such as parking, sponsorships, or raising rates, if revenue is a concern; expressed does not want to see the facility become a private venue as it needs to be kept easy and accessible to local groups.
- Dick Owens, Committee Member, asked the Committee why the soccer organizations are not speaking up about the Great Park Soccer Stadium RFQ/P.
- Dave Brown, Committee Member, expressed his interest for the Great Park and Soccer Stadium to remain a community facility that is accessible and affordable. He shared his concerns about cost accessibility for non-profit groups.

- Chair Lambeth asked why football could not use the Stadium field, and who was dictating the types of use.
- Doug Birozy, Committee Member, expressed he would just like to see stability.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Steven Stewart, Community Services Superintendent, made the following announcements:

- American Cancer Society drive-thru event to take place in the Civic Center parking lot on October 24 from 8–11 a.m.
- Member at Large Applications for the Irvine Sports Committee are now open until November 1.
- New organizations: Southern California Cricket Association Youth and CBA Spartans have joined the Sports Committee.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **ACTION:**

**Moved by Vice Chair Bertoni, seconded by Committee Member Ollmann, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:**

## **4. MINUTES**

### **ACTION:**

Approved the minutes of the regular Irvine Sports Committee meeting held July 13, 2021.

## **5. TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS CALENDAR**

**ACTION:** Received and filed.

## **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

## **6. ELECTION OF IRVINE SPORTS COMMITTEE OFFICERS**

### **ACTION:**

Chair Lambeth called for the nominations for Chair and Vice Chair of the Irvine Sports Committee. Committee Member Brown nominated Chair Lambeth for the position of Chair of the Irvine Sports Committee. Vice Chair Bertoni seconded the


motion, and by unanimous vote, Chair Lambeth was re-elected as Chair of the Irvine Sports Committee.

**ACTION:**


Chair Lambeth nominated Vice Chair Bertoni for the position of Vice Chair of the Irvine Sports Committee. Committee Member McNabb seconded the motion, and by unanimous vote, Committee Member Bertoni was re-elected as Vice Chair of the Irvine Sports Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Committee Member Bertoni, seconded by Committee Member Dallas, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.**

  
Cary Lambeth (Jan 25, 2022 06:50 MST)

CARY LAMBETH, CHAIR

  
Steven Stewart (Jan 25, 2022 07:26 PST)

STEVEN STEWART  
COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPERINTENDENT

Date Approved: January 11, 2022