

**Special Congregational Meeting  
September 10, 2017**

Moderator Renae Boyum called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m.

Church Administrator Michael Spindle confirmed that enough congregants were present, and a quorum was established.

Renae introduced Don Bjorklund as the parliamentarian.

Pastor Paul Tellström gave the opening prayer.

Renae Boyum introduced presenters for background information review for Phase 1 Construction and Construction Funding.

- **Architectural Plan** David Pfeifer, Principal, Domus Studio Architecture  
David stated that all items are in place to begin construction; permits are in hand and technical aspects have been resolved. Slides describing the approved architectural plan and landscaping were presented to and described for the congregation. There will be exterior signage on the screen, 140 parking spaces including 6 Handicap Accessible Parking spaces, new drought tolerant landscaping on Alton, new entrances from the sidewalk along Alton, safer curb setbacks for the wider driveway from Alton, overhangs for shade, and optical sensors for lights. The church offices will be at the front of the new addition, making it welcoming and easy to find. The general contractor is ready to start with an anticipated construction period of six months, ending in late March. Flexibility is requested by the congregation during the construction when there are temporary fences and altered parking arrangements. Renae took questions from the audience regarding shade, safety features, and accessible bathrooms.
- **Financing Plan** Mark Allen, Treasurer IUCC  
Mark reviewed cost and funding for Phase 1. Approximately \$75,000 needs to be raised; he requests that number to be raised to \$150,000 for contingency purposes. . It will be necessary to acquire earthquake insurance, expected to cost 4,000 to 6,000 annually.  
Renae took questions from the congregation regarding financial readiness, number of bids taken for construction, and ECC changes. Mark replied that in his judgment the project is very doable; there is a “hard” number in place with the contractor and the lender, Cornerstone. The ECC will gain classroom space for around 10 new enrollees when the administration offices relocate to the new addition.
- **Remarks** Rev. Paul Tellström  
Pastor Paul stated his support for the motion, offering words of encouragement, and endorsing the project. He further stated the benefit of increased presence in the community. Pastor Paul introduced the Task Force members and the congregation recognized them with applause and thank yous. Appreciation for four years of intense participation by the committee members, especially for Anne Rosse was noted during Paul’s remarks.  
  
**Remarks** Anne Rosse
  - Anne stated that the great strength of IUCC and its congregation was the many volunteers that respond when needed. She noted that there is a commitment to transparency on the part of the committees; the financial statement for the project and FAQs are available to all members online. Anne read the components of the motion to approve Phase 1 Construction and Construction Funding into the record.

**“RESOLVED:** That this motion consists of both these resolved clauses and also the appended financial report; and be it further

**RESOLVED:** That, contingent upon final approval from all approving agencies, the Irvine United Congregational Church:

- **Authorizes elected congregational leaders together with the Building Task Force to proceed with construction of Phase 1a of building plans.**
- **Explicitly amends the congregational budget as presented and approved in January 2017.**
- **Explicitly approves the schedules, tables, charts, and verbal explanations contained in the appended financial package of information that shows the current budget and the revised numbers.**

Following the reading of the motion Anne formally made the motion and Cindy O'dell seconded the motion. Renae Boyum explained that a secret ballot would be taken. All members used their green index card to vote yes or no. Ken Wyant collected the ballots. Lyle Norton and Christine Roy counted the ballots. Don Bjorklund observed the counting of the ballots. 100 ballots were cast with the following result:

**98 Yes**

**1 No**

**1 Abstention**

Moderator Renae Boyum declared the motion carried. Pastor Paul Tellström led the closing prayer. Motion to adjourn carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Palen

Clerk of the Administration Board