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Title: George Leidal collection on the City of Irvine
Creator: Leidal, George
Identifier/Call Number: MS.R.030
Physical Description: 4 Linear Feet (4 boxes)
Date (inclusive): 1970-1973
Abstract: This collection comprises files of George Leidal, a reporter employed by the Daily Pilot newspaper in Newport Beach, California. Leidal reported on the planning, incorporation, and early development of the City of Irvine, a master-planned community designed by architect William Pereira and developed by The Irvine Company. The materials are principally agenda packets of the Irvine City Council and Planning Commission, accompanied by some other files of other city and local area committees. Irvine was incorporated on December 28, 1971, and the files include the first City Council meeting held on that date.
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Acquisition Information
Gift of George Leidal, date unknown.
Processing Information
Processed by Andre Ambrus, 2005.
Biography
George A. Leidal was a reporter working for the Daily Pilot, a newspaper published in Newport Beach, California. His residences included Irvine, California and later Key West, Florida.
History
The City of Irvine is a master-planned community located in Orange County, California. It was designed by architect William Pereira and developed by The Irvine Company. The first General Plan for the future city was issued in 1964, and Irvine was incorporated on December 28, 1971.
Scope and Content of Collection
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Arrangement
This collection is arranged topically.
Subjects and Indexing Terms
Planned communities -- California -- Orange County -- History -- Sources
Online Archive of California
## City of Irvine City Council meetings

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**Biographical/Historical note**

December 28, 1971 was the first Irvine City Council meeting, held on the day of incorporation.

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