



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
WELCOMES YOU TO A REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 10, 2016

The City of Signal Hill appreciates your attendance. Citizen interest provides the Council and Agency with valuable information regarding issues of the community. Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. In addition, meetings are streamed live on our website at www.cityofsignalhill.org, and are televised at 7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. every day on Charter Communications Channel 3, and Frontier FiOS Channel 38.

Meetings commence at 6:00 p.m. with the conduct of any business permitted to be conducted in closed session by the Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950, et seq.), if any, and with the public portion of the meeting commencing at 7:00 pm. There is a period for public comment on closed session matters at 6:00 p.m. prior to the closed session. In the event there is no business to be conducted in closed session, the regular meeting shall commence at 7:00 p.m. There is a public comment period at the beginning of the regular meeting, as well as the opportunity to comment on each agenda item as it arises. Any meeting may be adjourned to a time and place stated in the order of adjournment.

The agenda is posted 72 hours prior to each meeting on the City's website and outside of City Hall and available at each meeting. The agenda and related reports are also available for review online and at the City Clerk's office and Library on the Friday afternoon prior to the Council meeting. Agenda and staff reports are also available at our website at www.cityofsignalhill.org.

During the meeting, the City Manager presents agenda items for Council consideration. The public is allowed to address the council on all agenda items. The Mayor may take agenda items out of order and will announce when the period for public comment is open on each agenda item. The public may speak to the council on items that are not listed on the agenda. This public comment period will be held at the beginning of the public portion of the meeting. You are encouraged (but not required) to complete a speaker card prior to the item being considered, and give the card to a City staff member. The purpose of the card is to ensure speakers are correctly identified in the minutes. However, completion of a speaker card is voluntary, and is not a requirement to address the council. The cards are provided at the rear of the Council Chamber. Please direct your comments or questions to the Mayor.

(1) CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 P.M.

(2) ROLL CALL

MAYOR WOODS
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

(3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(4) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THIS AGENDA

(5) COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(6) INTRODUCTIONS

a. Mayor Woods and Police Chief Langston will introduce recently promoted Senior Police Officers Don Moreau and Steve Noble and new Police Officers Jared Asato, David Jeong and Casey Blair with the Signal Hill Police Department.

(7) PRESENTATIONS

a. Southern California Edison will make a presentation regarding the need to conserve electricity during the summer to prevent blackouts due to the anticipated natural gas shortage that will affect power generation plants.

b. Mayor Lori Woods will introduce the third week's presentation in a series focusing on the Red Cross program 21 Weeks to Prepare. The series is aimed at assisting individuals and families prepare for an emergency. Each City Council meeting will focus on items to add to your emergency supply kit and after 21 meetings your kit will be complete.

c. Senior Police Officer Don Moreau will make a presentation on the Police Department's Southeast Regional Mental Health Evaluation Team (SRMET) and how SRMET serves those in need.

(8) PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Proposition 218 Protest Public Hearing - Water Rate Increases

Summary: The City Council will conduct a protest hearing for the proposed annual 8% water rate increase for fiscal years 2015-16 through 2019-20 and record property owner protests received during the 45-day protest period. The Council may not enact the water rate increase if the number of protests represents more than a simple majority of the total number of parcels.

Recommendation: If the total number of protests received does not exceed a simple majority of the total number of property owners, it is recommended the City Council waive further reading and introduce the ordinance amending Signal Hill Municipal Code Section 13.04.130, establishing rates for water delivered through the City's distribution system and repealing Ordinance no. 2008-10-1390

b. Public Hearing – Conditional Use Permit 16-01 Auto Center Freeway Sign

Summary: The applicant, Yesco Signs, LLC, on behalf of the Signal Hill Auto Center Association, is seeking approval to refurbish and operate the existing outdoor advertising structure at 3100 California Avenue. Improvements to the freeway sign include new colors (blue, grey and white), new vinyl graphics incorporating the Signal Hill logo with text reading "Signal Hill Auto Center" and upgraded technology with a new color LED (Light Emitting Diode) display. The project requires a new Conditional Use Permit.

Recommendations: 1) Waive further reading and adopt the resolution adopting Mitigated Negative Declaration 04/08/16(1), relative to Conditional Use Permit 16-01 to refurbish and operate an existing outdoor advertising structure for the Signal Hill Auto Center Association at 3100 California Avenue; and 2) Waive further reading and adopt the resolution approving Conditional Use Permit 16-01, a request to refurbish and operate an existing outdoor advertising structure for the Signal Hill Auto Center Association at 3100 California Avenue.

c. Public Hearing - Zoning Ordinance Amendment 16-02 and Related Negative Declaration - Amendments to the Signal Hill Municipal Code to Permit Accessory Uses Associated with the Signal Hill Auto Center in Industrial Zones

Summary: The Signal Hill Auto Center is a cornerstone of the City's economic development program. A Zoning Ordinance Amendment (ZOA) is proposed to provide expanded land use opportunities for uses associated with dealerships in the Signal Hill, SP-4 Auto Center Specific Plan zoning district. The ZOA would permit or conditionally permit the following accessory uses in the industrial zoning districts: Vehicle maintenance (detailing, prep. etc.), Vehicle rental (office and fleet storage), Vehicle repair, Wholesale facilities (pre-leased and trade-ins), Vehicle storage with a Compliance Plan, Vehicle body repair with a Conditional Use Permit, Vehicle painting with a Conditional Use Permit, and Other Auto Center related uses with a Conditional Use Permit.

These uses are only allowed subject to a determination, based on findings that the use is either owned or operated by a factory-authorized or nationally franchised automobile, truck and motorcycle sales and service dealership located in the Auto Center, or as a "sole or majority service provider" of the specific service to one of the Auto Center dealerships.

Recommendations: 1) Waive further reading and adopt the resolution adopting Negative Declaration 04/08/16(2), relative to Zoning Ordinance Amendment 16-02, revising Title 20 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code to permit and conditionally permit accessory uses associated with the Signal Hill Auto Center in industrial zoning districts; and 2) Waive further reading and introduce the ordinance approving Zoning Ordinance Amendment 16-02 revising Title 20 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code to permit and conditionally permit accessory uses associated with the Signal Hill Auto Center in the “CI, Commercial Industrial”, The “LI, Light Industrial” and the “GI, General Industrial” Zoning Districts.

- d. Public Hearing - Resolution Adopting the Negative Declaration for the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-Basin 4 Storm Water Capture Facility

Summary: The City is acting as lead agency for the Los Cerritos Sub-Basin 4 Storm Water Capture Facility Project. Staff prepared a Negative Declaration for the project and circulated it to interested agencies for comment. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Works and the Flood Control District have indicated they would like additional time to provide comments and it is possible that mitigation measures will need to be added. Accordingly, the document will be revised and a new notice will be prepared and distributed.

Recommendation: Open the public hearing to receive testimony and close the hearing.

(9) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI 15) Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area Grant Program

Summary: The Police Department is seeking authorization to accept a U.S. Department of Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$120,791. The grant funds will be utilized to purchase helicopter video downlink capabilities for the Emergency Operations Center and Watch Commander’s Vehicle, and for the purchase of personal protective gear for Police Officers and Public Works Employees in the event of a terrorist strike or other disaster.

Recommendations: 1) Authorize the City Manager to accept UASI 15 Grant Funds and to execute a Sub-recipient Agreement with the City of Los Angeles; and 2) Approve a budget adjustment for \$120,791 to the UASI Grant Revenue account number 270-39-110, and expenditures for \$120,791 to UASI Grant expenditure account number 270-40-740.

- b. Appointment of Council Member to Community Recreation Needs Assessment Consultant Interview Panel

Summary: Staff is requesting that one council member be appointed to participate on a panel to interview potential consultants to conduct the 2016 Community Recreation Needs Assessment.

Recommendation: Select a council member to serve on the Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment consultant selection interview panel.

c. Resolution Amending Designated Official Posting Locations in the City

Summary: This resolution will amend the designated posting locations in the City for the posting of the City's public notices, ordinances, and other official documents or papers that are to be publicly posted in accordance with Signal Hill Municipal Code Section 1.08.10. Due to the closure of the Signal Hill Public Library and subsequent temporary relocation to the Signal Hill Park Community Center, an amendment to the resolution is needed to add the Signal Hill Park Community Center as a designated posting location during the construction of the new library.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution amending Resolution No. 2008-09-5710, designating the places for posting public notices in accordance with Section 1.08.010 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code.

(10) CONSENT CALENDAR

The following Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. Items will be acted upon by the Council at one time without discussion. Any item may be removed by a council member or member of the audience for discussion.

a. Approval of Final Parcel Map No. 74159

Summary: Summerhill Signal Hill, LLC, is requesting approval of Final Parcel Map No. 74159. This subdivision is located on the northeast corner of Walnut Avenue and Crescent Heights Street. Staff has determined that the final map substantially conforms to the approved tentative map and that the subdivision conditions of approval have been met. Staff is recommending approval of the final map.

Recommendation: Approve Final Parcel Map No. 74159.

b. Warrant Register Dated May 10, 2016

Summary: The Warrant Register is a listing of all general checks issued since the prior warrant register and warrants to be released upon City Council approval.

Recommendation: Authorize payment of Warrant Register dated May 10, 2016.

c. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of April 26, 2016.

Recommendation: Approve.

(11) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
MAYOR WOODS

(12) CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), potential litigation in two undisclosed matters.
- b. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Employees' Association.

(13) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

(14) RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

(15) RECONVENE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

(16) CLOSED SESSION REPORT

(17) ADJOURNMENT

Tonight's meeting will be adjourned to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA, 90755.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Routine matters are handled most quickly and efficiently if contact is made with the City department directly concerned. However, if you would like to request that a matter be presented for City Council consideration, you may do so by 1) writing to the City Council or the City Manager, or 2) completing an Agenda Item Request Form available from the City Clerk. The deadline for agenda items is 12 noon on the Tuesday preceding the Council and Agency meetings. Agendas are mailed to those who provide self-addressed, stamped envelopes to the City Clerk's office. The agenda and related agenda items are available on our website at www.cityofsignalhill.org.

If you need special assistance beyond what is normally provided to participate in City meetings, the City will attempt to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. Please call the City Clerk's office at (562) 989-7305 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to inform us of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible.