



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL**  
April 11, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on April 11, 2017.

**CALL TO ORDER – 7:06 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR WILSON  
VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND  
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

ABSENT: NONE

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Wilson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

There was no public business from the floor.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Prescription Drug Take Back Day is on April 22, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Signal Hill Police Department at 2745 Walnut Avenue. For additional information, please visit [www.dea.gov](http://www.dea.gov).

Celebrate National Library Week from April 9, 2017 through April 15, 2017 at the Signal Hill Library (Signal Hill Community Center).

Spring Fest at Signal Hill Park is on Saturday, April 15, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A wristband can be purchased for \$3 to cover activities. All participants must bring their own bag or basket to collect egg hunt goodies. Please call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

A free community meeting regarding public transit needs in Signal Hill and surrounding communities will be held on Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Signal Hill Youth Center. Call Community Services at (562) 989-7330 for more information.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

- a. Mayor Wilson and Police Chief Nunley introduced Officer Taylor Byrd who recently completed the field training program to become a Signal Hill Police Officer.

Officer Taylor Byrd thanked the City and his family and looks forward to serving the community.

- b. Mayor Wilson and Director of Community Development introduced Phyllis Thorne, new Administrative Assistant with the Community Development Department.

Phyllis Thorne looks forward to working with the Community Development Department and serving the City.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Wilson took item (b) out of order.

- b. Mayor Wilson and Police Chief Nunley presented a proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week to a representative of the Signal Hill Police Department Dispatchers/Jailers.

Ramvinski Sovann, Signal Hill Dispatcher/Jailer, thanked the City for recognizing the Dispatchers/Jailers.

- a. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to the Signal Hill Library staff in recognition of National Library Week, April 9-15, 2017.

Judy Kamei, Signal Hill Librarian, introduced two members of the Friends of the Signal Hill Library and encouraged the public to visit the Signal Hill Library.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

- a. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2015-16

City Manager provided a brief summary of the report and introduced Acting Finance Director who presented the staff report.

Council Member Woods asked for clarification on ERP.

Acting Finance Director and Mayor Wilson addressed the question posed by Council Member Woods.

Council Member Copeland asked questions about the General Fund Snapshot in Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 and FY 2016.

Acting Finance Director addressed the questions posed by Council Member Copeland.

Mayor Wilson requested that in the future staff provide the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for City Council review before publishing it on the City website.

City Manager stated a copy will be provided to each Council Member.

Mayor Wilson invited the public to comment on the agenda item.

There were no public comments.

Council Member Forester commented on the appropriations of the reserve fund.

Mayor Wilson provided explanations of budget and financial statement and commented on the City's budget allocation.

Mayor Wilson and Council Member Forester asked questions regarding property tax revenue.

Acting Finance Director and City Manager addressed the questions posed by Mayor Wilson.

Council Member Forester asked a question about City employees' pensions.

Acting Finance Director and Deputy City Manager addressed the question posed by Council Member Forester.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to receive and file and publish the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:      MAYOR WILSON  
                 VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to approve the proposed carryover of appropriations from Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16 to FY 2016-17 reserve balances.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:      MAYOR WILSON  
                 VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

Mayor Wilson requested staff to prepare financial reports closer to the FY ending date.

b. Schedule for Appointments to the Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, and Civil Service Commission

City Manager presented the staff report.

Council Member Woods asked a question regarding commission compensation.

City Manager addressed the question posed by Council Member Woods.

Council Member Forester asked a question about candidate selection process.

City Manager addressed the question posed by Council Member Forester.

City Council commented on the Sustainable City Committee and encouraged residents to apply for the Community Member position.

City Council discussed dates and decided to hold the interviews and appointments at the May 23, 2017 City Council meeting.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to conduct commissioner candidate interviews and appointments on May 23, 2017.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:      MAYOR WILSON  
                 VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

c. Award of Contract for the 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Resurfacing Project, No. 116 (CDBG Project No. 601690-14)

City Manager introduced Deputy Director of Public Works who presented the staff report.

Mayor Wilson asked if the awardee is present at the meeting.

Deputy Director of Public Works commented the awardee was not present.

Council Member Forester asked questions regarding EBS General Engineering, Inc.

Deputy Director of Public Works and City Manager addressed the questions posed by Council Member Forester.

Mayor Wilson invited the public to comment on the agenda item.

There were no public comments.

Mayor Wilson recommended awardees attend the Council meeting in the future.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the 23<sup>rd</sup>

Street Resurfacing Project, No. 116, to EBS General Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$91,285, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:      MAYOR WILSON  
                 VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

**CHAIR WILSON CALLED THE CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO ORDER**

PRESENT:      CHAIR WILSON  
                 VICE CHAIR HANSEN  
                 MEMBER COPELAND  
                 MEMBER FORESTER  
                 MEMBER WOODS

ABSENT:      NONE

**d. Quitclaim of Property – 2621 St. Louis Avenue**

City Manager/Chief Administrative Officer introduced Economic Development Manager who presented the staff report.

Mayor/Chair Wilson invited the public to comment on the agenda item.

There were no public comments.

Mayor/Chair Wilson asked a question about the approval of the Quitclaim Deed.

City Attorney/Agency Counsel addressed the question posed by Mayor/Chair Wilson.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER/MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER/MEMBER WOODS to approve the Quitclaim Deed between the City of Signal Hill as Successor Agency to the Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency and the City of Signal Hill.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:      MAYOR/CHAIR WILSON  
                 VICE MAYOR/VICE CHAIR HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER/MEMBER COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER/MEMBER FORESTER  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER/MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

**CHAIR WILSON RECESSED THE CITY COUNCIL AS SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

a. Resolution Declaring Final Acceptance of the Signal Hill Park Irrigation Improvements Project, No. 123

Summary: BrightView Landscape Services, Inc. has completed the Signal Hill Park Irrigation Improvements Project, No. 123, to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. Staff is recommending final acceptance of the work performed by BrightView Landscape Services, Inc.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2017-04-6212 declaring work to be completed in conformance with the plans and specifications for the Signal Hill Park Irrigation Improvements Project, No. 123.

b. Warrant Register Dated April 11, 2017

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 April 11, 2017.

c. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of March 28, 2017.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:      MAYOR WILSON  
                 VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

### **COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS**

Council Member Forester thanked Keesal, Young, & Logan for the opportunity to attend the Grand Prix.

Council Member Copeland thanked staff for hosting the Well No. 9 tour for the Sustainable City Committee.

Vice Mayor Hansen read a comment from the Nextdoor social network and commended Public Works and Police Departments for their fast response to a major traffic accident.

Mayor Wilson thanked Keesal, Young, & Logan and commented on the Grand Prix.

Mayor Wilson commended California Conference for Equality and Justice for their involvement and contribution to the public.

Mayor Wilson announced the Long Beach Day Nursery Kentucky Derby party on May 6, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at the Los Alamitos Race Course.

Mayor Wilson spoke about and remembered Cindy Jackson, the Sculptor of the Signal Hill Roughneck Roundup Monument. There will be a memorial for Cindy on Saturday, April 15, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Millard Sheets Center in Pomona.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), pending litigation, regarding East West Bank v. FTR, Case No. BC631437.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6(a) to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Police Officers' Association and Signal Hill Employees' Association.
- c. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), potential litigation in an undisclosed matter.

## **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

There was no public business from the floor.

## **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:16 P.M.**

## **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 9:33 P.M.**

### **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney reported on closed session items. There was no reportable action taken.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory of Cindy Jackson, Sculptor of the Signal Hill Roughneck Roundup Monument. The next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA, 90755.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:      MAYOR WILSON  
                 VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

MAYOR WILSON adjourned the meeting at 9:34 p.m.

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Edward H.J. Wilson  
Mayor

Attest:

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Kim Boles  
Interim City Clerk