



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL**
October 10, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on October 10, 2017.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:03 P.M.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN (EXCUSED ABSENCE)

CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), existing litigation, regarding *Terri Marsh v. City of Signal Hill* Case No. BC663505, Los Angeles County Superior Court.
- 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 54957, to conduct City Manager evaluation.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public business from the floor.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:04 P.M.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:11 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Wilson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wilson requested a moment of silence in light of recent tragedies.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney reported on closed session items. Status report was given for item (a) and no reportable action was taken. Item (b) was discussed, directions were given to the negotiators, and no reportable action was taken. Item (c) was not discussed.

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

There was no public business from the floor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Long Beach Unified School District Cross Country Meet on Wednesday, October 11 from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The Moore League Cross Country cluster race will begin and end at Discovery Well Park. Parking will be impacted for residents of Hill Street, Temple Avenue and surrounding areas. There will be approximately 300 students and 100 adults in attendance.

Free Yoga Wednesdays and Zumba Fridays in October starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Library. Pre-registration required. Register by calling the Library at (562) 989-7323.

Chef Ollie Cigliano Food Demo and Movie on Wednesday, October 11 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Library. Space is limited, register by calling (562) 989-7323 or by visiting the Library.

Low Cost Pet Clinic on Saturday, October 14 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Signal Hill Park. Low cost vaccination and licensing for dogs and cats available. For more information, call (562) 989-7330.

Annual Halloween Carnival on Saturday, October 28 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Signal Hill Park. Tickets are \$3 per person (ages 2 and up). For more information, call (562) 989-7330.

Free Homebuyer Education Workshop on Saturday, October 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at City Hall Council Chamber. Registration required by October 23. Call (562) 989-7379 or email emccaleb@cityofsignalhill.org to register.

Mayor's Clean-Up on Saturday, October 21 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Long Beach Islamic Center parking lot, 995 E. 27th Street. Volunteers needed for this community clean-up event of the Atlantic/Spring Neighborhood. For more information, visit the City's website or call (562) 989-7340.

The Rock Club, Music is the Remedy Lucky 13 Casino Night on Friday, October 13 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Scottish Rite Event Center, 855 Elm Avenue, Long Beach. Tickets are \$75 per person. Register by calling (866) 597-1116.

PRESENTATION

- a. The Jazz Angels musicians performed a song for City Council. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to the Jazz Angels, recipients of Senator Ricardo Lara's 2017 Excellence in the 33rd Award and in celebration of their 10-year anniversary.

Barry Cogert, representative of the Jazz Angels, thanked the City Council and the City for recognizing their music.

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

City Manager informed the Mayor of a citizen who wished to speak on items not listed on the agenda.

Ahmed Dmini, Signal Hill resident, addressed the City Council and stated his concern regarding parking spaces as a tenant.

City Manager took note of the concern.

PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Introduction of Ordinance Amendment Amending Title 15.08 Revising Regulations for the Fire Code

City Manager read the form of notice.

City Manager introduced Peter Lim, Building Official and John Hartley, Building Inspector who presented the staff report.

Council Member Copeland asked questions regarding solar panel installation and adoption of the Fire Code.

Mr. Hartley addressed the questions posed by Council Member Copeland.

Mayor Wilson asked a question regarding indoor hydroponic cultivation.

Mr. Hartley addressed the question posed by Mayor Wilson.

Mayor Wilson opened the public hearing at 7:35 p.m.

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

There was no public comment.

Mayor Wilson closed the public hearing at 7:36 p.m.

City Attorney commented that a noticed public hearing for the second reading of the ordinance amendment is required for any codes adopted by reference.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2017-10-1496 amending Title 15.08 repealing the 2013 California Fire Code and replacing it with the 2017 County of Los Angeles Fire Code by adopting by reference the 2016 California Fire Code and portions of the 2015 International Fire Code.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2017-10-1496:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 15.08 REPEALING THE 2013 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND REPLACING IT WITH THE 2017 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2016 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND PORTIONS OF THE 2015 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

City Attorney recommended City Council modify the motion to include a noticed public hearing, which will be held for the second reading and adoption of the ordinance.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to bring Ordinance No. 2017-10-1496 back to City Council for a noticed public hearing of the second reading and adoption of the ordinance and authorize staff to submit Ordinance No. 2017-10-1496 to the Department of Housing and Community Development, Division of Codes and Standards, State Housing Law Program.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

a. Resolution Approving Memorandum of Understanding with the Signal Hill Police Officers' Association

City Manager introduced Deputy City Manager who thanked Sylvia Soong and Scott Williams on behalf of the City, Officers Steve Noble and Jeff Poor on behalf of the Signal Hill Police Officers' Association, and City Council for their guidance for a successful negotiation of the Memorandum of Understanding; and presented the staff report.

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

Steve Noble, President of the Signal Hill Police Officers' Association, thanked the City's negotiation team, Police Chief, City Manager, and City Council for a smooth negotiation process on behalf of the Signal Hill Police Officers' Association.

City Council commented on the results of the negotiation and thanked the negotiation teams for their effort in putting together a package that will continue to retain and attract high-quality officers.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2017-10-6232 amending Resolution No. 2015-09-6142, approving a Memorandum of Understanding pursuant to the California Meyers-Milias-Brown Act by and between the City of Signal Hill and the Signal Hill Police Officers' Association.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2017-10-6232:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2015-09-6142, APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA MEYERS-MILIAS-BROWN ACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL AND THE SIGNAL HILL POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

b. Adoption of the 2017 Hazard Mitigation Plan

City Manager introduced Police Chief who presented the staff report.

Council Member Woods asked questions regarding the approval process of the Hazard Mitigation Plan (Plan) and the accessibility of the Plan to the public.

Richard Johnson, Emergency Operations Coordinator, addressed the questions posed by Council Member Woods.

Council Member Forester asked a question regarding making the plan available on the City website.

Richard Johnson, Emergency Operations Coordinator, addressed the question posed by Council Member Forester.

Mayor Wilson asked questions regarding FEMA's approval of the Plan.

Richard Johnson, Emergency Operations Coordinator, addressed the questions posed by Mayor Wilson.

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

There was no public comment.

Council Member Woods commented on the content of the Plan.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2017-10-6233 adopting the 2017 Hazard Mitigation Plan and Resolution No. 2017-10-6234 adopting the use of the Incident Command System, the State Emergency Management System and the National Incident Command System.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2017-10-6233:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE 2017 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2017-10-6234:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE USE OF THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM, THE STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND THE NATIONAL INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

Mr. Johnson urged the public to participate in the Great California ShakeOut Earthquake Drill on October 19 at 10:19 a.m. and listed the City's involvement in the drill.

c. SB 415 Update Regarding State Mandated Change to General Municipal Election Date

City Manager presented the staff report.

Mayor Wilson and Council Member Copeland asked questions regarding the election dates, extension of terms, and voter turnout.

City Manager and City Attorney addressed the questions posed by Mayor Wilson and Council Member Copeland.

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

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident, spoke in favor of consolidating with the Statewide General Election.

Mayor Wilson clarified the differences between the previously discussed and potential election schedules.

Council Member Woods, Council Member Copeland, and Council Member Forester spoke in favor of consolidating with the Statewide Primary Election under SB 568.

Mayor Wilson commented on both November and March election schedules.

Council Member Woods and Mayor Wilson asked questions regarding the deadline to consolidate the election schedule and commented on Vice Mayor Hansen's input regarding consolidation.

City Manager addressed the questions posed by Council Member Woods and Mayor Wilson.

Council Member Copeland asked a question regarding the cost of the election.

City Manager addressed the question posed by Council Member Copeland.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to agendize this item for the November 14, 2017 City Council Meeting.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

d. Proposition 64 Subcommittee

City Manager presented the staff report.

Council Member Forester nominated Council Member Woods and Council Member Copeland to serve on the Proposition 64 Subcommittee (Subcommittee).

Council Member Woods expressed interest in serving on the Subcommittee.

Council Member Copeland declined the nomination and nominated Mayor Wilson and Council Member Woods to serve on the Subcommittee.

Mayor Wilson expressed interest in serving on the Subcommittee and recommended having one Planning Commissioner and one Parks and

Recreation Commissioner serve on the Subcommittee.

City Council asked questions regarding the composition of the Subcommittee and the Brown Act.

City Attorney addressed the questions posed by City Council and City Manager commented on the intent of the Subcommittee.

City Council and City Attorney discussed the composition of the Subcommittee.

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

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident, requested the Subcommittee be open to the public and commented on the marijuana industry.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to select Mayor Wilson, Council Member Woods, City Manager, Police Chief, and Community Development Director to serve on the Proposition 64 Subcommittee.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

Council Member Woods and Mayor Wilson noted that the Subcommittee will provide information gathered to the public in the future.

Council Member Woods asked the City Manager to provide details of the current and upcoming ordinances regarding marijuana use.

City Manager provided a summary of the ordinances.

Mayor Wilson commented on the personal growth of recreational marijuana.

e. Authorize a Contract Services Agreement with Thirkettle Corporation, DBA Aqua Metric Sales Company, for Equipment and Installation to Facilitate the City's Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project

City Manager introduced Public Works Management Analyst who presented the staff report.

Council Member Forester asked questions regarding the contractor's work in Long Beach.

Public Works Management Analyst addressed the questions posed by Council Member Forester.

Mayor Wilson asked a question regarding the locations of the water meters.

Public Works Management Analyst provided a map of the locations.

Council Member Woods asked questions regarding the pilot project and the Long Beach tower.

City Manager addressed the questions posed by Council Member Woods.

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

There was no public comment.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement with Thirkettle Corporation, DBA Aqua Metric Sales Company, to provide equipment and installation for the City's pilot Advanced Metering Infrastructure project, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

f. Verification of Quorum for Meeting of December 26, 2017

City Manager presented the staff report.

City Council discussed whether a quorum of the City Council will be present for the regular meeting of December 26, 2017.

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

There was no public comment.

City Council discussed the regular City Council meeting of December 26, 2017 and concluded there would not be a quorum.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Contract Services Agreement with Telecom Law Firm, P.C. for Wireless and Wired Telecommunication Legal Services

Summary: The City Council will consider authorizing the City Manager to sign a contract with Telecom Law Firm, P.C. to provide the City with legal services specifically for wireless and wired telecommunication services.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement with Telecom Law Firm, P.C., to provide wireless and wired telecommunication legal services in a form approved by the City Attorney.

- b. Resolution Amending the FY 2017-18 Budget to Incorporate a List of Projects Funded by Senate Bill 1 – The Road Repair and Accountability Act

Summary: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution amending the FY 2017-18 Capital Improvement Program Budget to incorporate a list of projects funded by SB 1 - The Road Repair and Accountability Act.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2017-10-6235 amending the 2017-18 Budget to incorporate a list of projects funded by SB 1 – The Road Repair and Accountability Act

- c. Award of Contract for 3800 Block of Cherry Avenue – Construction of New Interconnection Project, No. 129

Summary: On October 3, 2017, the City Clerk received bids for the 3800 Block of Cherry Avenue – Construction of New Interconnection Project, No. 129. Staff is recommending an award of contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Excel Paving Company, in the amount of \$75,779.

Recommendations: 1. Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the 3800 Block of Cherry Avenue – Construction of New Interconnection Project, No. 129, to Excel Paving Company, in the amount of \$75,779, in a form approved by the City Attorney. 2. Establish a project contingency of 10% (\$7,577.90) of the construction contract to cover the cost of unforeseen work not included in the original contract.

- d. BKK Tolling Agreement – Fourth Amendment

Summary: The City Council will consider entering into a Fourth Tolling Agreement with the BKK Working Group related to the BKK Corporation Landfill. The Agreement continues to toll the statute of limitations governing claims related to the landfill.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute the Fourth Tolling Agreement between the BKK Working Group and the City of Signal Hill.

e. Contract Amendment with Platinum Consulting Group to Provide Financial Staffing Services

Summary: The City Council will consider a request to amend an existing contract with Platinum Consulting Group to provide financial staffing services to extend the terms of the amended contract and provide additional services to assist the Finance Department during the year-end close process.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 of the Contract Services Agreement with Platinum Consulting Group to provide temporary financial staffing services from October 10, 2017 through October 9, 2018 in a form approved by the City Attorney.

f. Warrant Register Dated October 10, 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 October 10, 2017.

g. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of September 26, 2017.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Forester reported on a meeting he attended with City Treasurer and Senator Scott Wiener on October 9, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Tuesday, October 24, 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
 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR WILSON adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

Edward H.J. Wilson
Mayor

Attest:

Keir Jones
City Clerk