



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

2175 Cherry Avenue ♦ Signal Hill, California 90755-3799

THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
WELCOMES YOU TO A REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 1, 2011
7:00 P.M.

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 1st and 3rd 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 Verizon FiOS Channel 38.

The agenda is posted 72 hours prior to each meeting 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. Agendas 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 may speak on an agenda item once the item is opened for discussion by the Mayor. Please complete a speaker card prior to the item being considered, and give the card to a City staff member in order to be recognized and correctly identified in the minutes. The cards are provided at the rear of the Council Chambers. Please state your name and direct your comments or questions to the Mayor.

(1) CLOSED SESSION – 6:00 p.m.

- a. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Employees' Association and the Signal Hill Police Officers Association.
- b. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, real property negotiations, between the City of Signal Hill and Nicholas C. Payiatas, regarding real property located at 1917 E. 21st Street.

(2) CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

(3) ROLL CALL

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

(4) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(5) CLOSED SESSION REPORT

(6) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

If you wish to address the City Council regarding any matter, listed on or off the agenda, please complete a speaker card prior to speaking. State law (Brown Act) prohibits the City Council from acting upon any item not posted 72 hours before a regular meeting and 24 hours before a special meeting. Please submit your speaker card to staff, state your name for the official record using the microphone at the podium and courteously limit your remarks. Council members cannot specifically discuss applications or public hearing items before the Planning Commission, since the City Council serves as the appeals board to commission actions.

(7) PRESENTATION(S)

- a. Deputy City Manager will give an update of the new Police Station and Emergency Operations Center project.

(8) PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Public Hearing - Resolution Approving the Proposed Use of FY 2011-2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds

Summary: For fiscal year 2011-2012, the City of Signal Hill will receive approximately \$120,918 in new Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds under the Los Angeles County Urban County allocation from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Staff is proposing continuation of the Senior Food Distribution Program, increased funding for the current CDBG-funded public works projects, and construction of ADA Improvements in Census Tract 5734.01 BG 1 and Census Tract 5734.02 BG 3. The City Council is required to adopt a resolution affirming these projects.

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and adopt the resolution approving the City's FY 2011-2012 application for housing and community development funds, designating use of available unallocated funds and authorizing submission of such application to the Los Angeles County Community Development Commission. 2. Authorize the City Manager to approve the estimated CDBG Allocation for fiscal year 2011-2012 funds of \$120,918, with 15% or \$18,137 for Public Service Projects, 10% or \$12,091 for General Administrative, \$26,792 for additional funding to the 25th Street Sidewalk Improvement Project, \$26,792 for additional funding to the ADA Improvements at Orange Avenue and Willow Street, and the remaining \$50,000 to fund ADA Improvements in Census Tract 5734.01 BG 1 and Census Tract 5734.02 BG 3.

CALL THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO ORDER

- b. Joint Public Hearing – Adoption of a Resolution Making the 33445.1 and 33679 Findings That the Signal Hill Public Library is of Benefit to the Signal Hill Redevelopment Project Area

Summary: The City has taken the actions necessary to construct the new Signal Hill Library. The Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency's Five-Year Implementation Plan identifies that the Agency will assist the City in the development of the Signal Hill Library. The Agency is required to conduct a public hearing and make findings that the Library is of benefit to the Signal Hill Redevelopment Project Area for the immediate neighborhood where the Library is located.

Recommendations: **City Council:** Waive further reading and adopt the resolution making findings relating to the funding of a public improvement pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33445.1, in connection with the construction of a public library and related community park improvements. **Redevelopment Agency:** Waive further reading and adopt the resolution making findings of a public improvement pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 33445.1, in connection with the construction of a public library and related community park improvements.

RECESS THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

(9) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

a. Proposal by State of California to Shut Down Local Redevelopment Agencies

Summary: As part of its 2011-12 budget proposal, the Governor is proposing to eliminate all 398 redevelopment agencies statewide and raid their local property taxes. This tax raid is proposed to relieve the State of its funding obligations for State programs, such as the Superior Courts, Medicare programs and public schools. It will have an immediate adverse impact on the City and Agency budget. A broad coalition of mayors, council members, local governments, business and labor, environmental leaders and affordable housing advocates oppose the State's attempt to kill local redevelopment.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution in opposition to the administration's proposal to abolish redevelopment agencies in California.

(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. Warrant Register Dated February 1, 2011

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 February 1, 2011.

b. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Special Joint Meeting of January 17, 2011

Regular Meeting of January 18, 2011.

Recommendation: Approve.

(11) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

(12) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

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

(13) ADJOURNMENT

Tonight's meeting will be adjourned in memory of Steven Marquez, long time resident of Signal Hill, and George Hurte, long time resident of Signal Hill and former administrator of the Southern California Military Academy. The next meeting of the Signal Hill City Council is Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., to be held in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA, 90755.

(14) 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.

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.