



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL  
February 25, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on February 25, 2020.

**CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR WOODS  
VICE MAYOR COPELAND  
COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN

**CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), existing litigation, regarding *Ronald R. Sagmit vs. City of Signal Hill Police Department*, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. BC706721.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), existing litigation, regarding *HNL Properties, LLC v. City of Signal Hill, et al.*, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 18STCV01292.
- c. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), existing litigation, regarding *City of Signal Hill, et al v. Central Basin Municipal Water District, et al*, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 19STCP03882.
- d. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)(1), existing litigation, regarding *Gardena v. Regional Water Quality Control Board*, Orange County Superior Court, Case No. 30-2016-00833722-CU-WM-CJC; *City of Duarte v. State Water Resources Control Board*, Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2016-00833614-CU-WM-CJC.

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

There was no public business from the floor.

## **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:01 P.M.**

Council Member Hansen entered closed session at 6:11 p.m.

## **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:18 P.M.**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Woods and members of Camp Fire USA led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney reported on closed session items. City Attorney reported that City Council unanimously provided direction for items (c) and (d).

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

There was no public business from the floor.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Woods made the following announcements:

Astronomy Night on Thursday, February 27 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Hilltop Park. Call (562) 989-7323 to register.

2020 Presidential Primary Election is Tuesday, March 3. 11-day Vote Centers are open throughout Los Angeles County, for a list of all Vote Centers, visit [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net). Vote Centers at Burroughs Head Start School, 1260 E. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street and the Signal Hill Library Community Room, 1800 E. Hill Street will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from February 29 through March 2 and 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on March 3. Call City Clerk's office at (562) 989-7305 for more information.

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss! on Saturday, March 7 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Library. Visit the Library or call (562) 989-7323 to register for the event.

Mayor's Reception on Tuesday, March 24 starting at 8:00 p.m. at the Library.

Ellen Ward Community Yard Sale on Saturday, May 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Signal Hill Park. Vendor spots are available starting March 2 for residents

and March 16 for non-residents. Call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Council Member Jones announced the Signal Hill Chamber Luncheon on Thursday, February 27, 2020 starting at 11:30 a.m. at The Grand Long Beach.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Members from Camp Fire USA Long Beach presented a cake to the City Council and Mayor Woods presented a proclamation to Camp Fire USA Long Beach in recognition of Camp Fire USA's 110<sup>th</sup> Birthday.
- b. Chief of Police made a presentation on the August 6, 2019 National Night Out event and presented City Council with an award the Signal Hill Police Department received for outstanding participation in the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out from the National Association of Town Watches.

Mayor Woods thanked the Police Department and Signal Hill Police Foundation for a successful event.

- c. Economic Development Manager made a presentation on Census 2020.

Council Member Wilson asked questions regarding Census 2020.

Economic Development Manager addressed the questions posed by Council Member Wilson.

Mayor Woods requested the census presentation be posted on the City's website.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

- a. Award of Contract for Newsletter Design and Printing

City Manager introduced Economic Development Manager who presented the staff report.

Mayor Woods invited the consultant to come forward and introduce himself.

Doug Armstrong, representative of ABC Press, introduced himself and thanked City Council for considering the contract.

Vice Mayor Copeland asked a question regarding ABC Press.

Mr. Armstrong addressed the question posed by Vice Mayor Copeland.

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

There was no public comment.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to authorize the Mayor to enter into an Agreement for Professional Services with ABC Press in a form approved by the City Attorney for a term of three years and a total not-to-exceed amount of \$64,980.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

b. Resolution Adopting a List of Projects Funded by Senate Bill (SB) 1 – The Road Repair and Accountability Act for Fiscal Year 2020-21

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

Vice Mayor Copeland and Council Member Wilson asked questions regarding SB 1 funding and street improvement projects.

Public Works Director and City Manager addressed the questions posed by Vice Mayor Copeland and Council Member Wilson.

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

There was no public comment.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2020-02-6553 amending the Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget to incorporate a list of projects funded by SB 1 – The Road Repair and Accountability Act.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2020-02-6553, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 BUDGET TO INCORPORATE A LIST OF PROJECTS FUNDED BY SB 1 – THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

c. Planning Commission Vacancy

City Manager presented the staff report.

City Council discussed and asked questions regarding the Planning Commission recruitment, the commissioner application form, and the interview and appointment dates.

City Manager addressed the questions posed by City Council.

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

There was no public comment.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR COPELAND and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES to declare the office of one Planning Commission member vacant; authorize staff to open a recruitment from March 2, 2020 through March 31, 2020, seeking residents interested in serving as a Planning Commissioner for the remainder of the vacant term through May 31, 2023; schedule the interviews and appointment for the regular City Council meeting of April 14, 2020 if there are ten or less applicants, and schedule the interviews and appointment for a special meeting of April 22, 2020 if there are more than ten applicants; and provided direction to staff regarding the commissioner application form.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

a. Schedule of Investments

Summary: The Schedule of Investments is a listing of all surplus funds invested for both the City and the Successor Agency of the former Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency as of the date shown on the report.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

b. Warrant Register Dated February 25, 2020

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 25, 2020.

c. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of February 11, 2020.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

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

Council Member Hansen and City Manager commented on coronavirus and the flu.

Vice Mayor Copeland commented on the Los Alamitos Race on the Base event he participated in for the Rock for Vets charity.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 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 WOODS  
                 VICE MAYOR COPELAND  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

MAYOR WOODS adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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LORI Y. WOODS  
MAYOR

Attest:

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CARMEN R. BROOKS  
CITY CLERK