



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL
April 13, 2021**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held via video/teleconference on April 13, 2021 pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR WILSON
VICE MAYOR JONES
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN

CLOSED SESSION

a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1), conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation.

Number of cases: 2

Case Name: City of Signal Hill v. Central Basin Municipal Water District, et al.
Case Number: LASC 19STCP03882

Case Name: Jensen Enterprises, Inc. dba Jensen Precast v. Mike Bubalo Construction Co., et al.
Case Number: LASC 19LBCV00336

b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2), conference with legal counsel regarding anticipated litigation.

Number of potential cases: 3

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 and Council Member Copeland entered closed session at 6:04 p.m.

Mayor Wilson left closed session at 6:23 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:03 P.M.

Mayor Wilson asked City Manager to provide meeting participation options.

City Manager provided meeting participation options.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: NONE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Wilson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Wilson announced he will call upon Council Members, City Clerk, City Treasurer, and members of the public one-by-one for questions or comments and a roll call vote will be conducted for each agenda item for transparency and clarity.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Interim City Attorney reported there was no reportable action taken for closed session items.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTED ON PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURE

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

Deputy City Manager read a letter of appreciation from Sanford Simmons, Signal Hill resident, on behalf of eight residents (letter is attached to original minutes

and available in the City Clerk's Office).

Scott Wilcox, Mark Malbon, Sandy Lopez, Joseph Anzelmo, Stephen Maher, Susan Green, and Rick Ferreira, Signal Hill residents, commented on pickleball.

Mayor Wilson thanked speakers for their comments.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Wilson made the following announcements:

Notice of Vacancies for Civil Service, Parks and Recreation, and Planning Commissions. Each vacancy is for a full four-year term. Apply online at City website by Thursday, April 15 at 4:30 p.m. Call (562) 989-7305 for more information.

City of Long Beach is vaccinating Long Beach and Signal Hill residents 16 years and over at the Terrace Theatre walk-up clinic at 300 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach. Beginning April 15, all Californians 16 years and over can visit myturn.ca.gov to schedule an appointment to receive a COVID-19 vaccine. You may also check with your healthcare provider or pharmacy. Los Angeles County offers a vaccination helpline at (833) 540-0473 for information and to schedule limited appointments.

Council Member Hansen commented on the vaccination process.

Diversity Coalition Committee (DCC) meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. The next DCC meeting will be held virtually on Wednesday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m. The DCC has also formed three subcommittees – the Facilitation Subcommittee, the Education Subcommittee, and the Continuous Improvement Subcommittee. All are welcome to attend. Participation instructions can be found on the meeting agenda on the City website.

Spring-Tacular Community Scavenger Hunt is open to all Signal Hill residents from April 1 to April 30. Download a grid from the City website to play, grids can be submitted for a prize to comservices@cityofsignalhill.org by April 30. Call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Virtual Book Club on Thursday, April 15 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. The selection is *Deacon King Kong*. Books will be available for pick-up at the Library during curbside pickup hours. Call (562) 989-7323 for more information.

Fairy Garden Kit available for pick-up starting Monday, March 29 for residents age 55 and older. A virtual gathering on how to make your garden will be held on April 28 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Call (562) 989-7330 to reserve a kit or for more information.

All-City Socially Distanced Mayor's Clean-Up on Saturday, April 24. Sign up at tiny.cc/cleancitygreencity and upload a photo of yourself participating in the event to be featured at a future City Council meeting. A limited number of grabbers, gloves, and trash bags are available for pick up. Call (562) 989-7340 for questions and to make an appointment for supplies pick-up.

EDCO spring bulky item pick-up week from May 3 to May 7. Residents can place bulky items at the curb on their normal trash day. Residents in HOAs or multi-family housing will need to work with the HOA or building manager to arrange a pick-up day. Call EDCO at (562) 597-0608 for more information or to arrange a special pick-up.

EDCO free shredding and electronic waste event on Saturday, May 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the EDCO Recycling and Transfer Station, 2755 California Avenue. Call EDCO at (562) 597-0608 for more information.

Council Member Copeland and Mayor Wilson commented on Tax Day being extended to May 17 this year.

PRESENTATIONS

- a. Mayor Wilson invited Roberta Hamfeldt, OneLegacy Ambassador, who thanked City Council and commented on OneLegacy.

Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to Ms. Hamfeldt recognizing April as DMV/Donate Life California Month.

Council Member Woods, Mayor Wilson, Ms. Hamfeldt, and City Clerk commented on DMV donor registration and OneLegacy.

- b. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to Shanika Taylor, representative of the Signal Hill Police Department Dispatcher/Jailers, in recognition of National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, April 11-17, 2021.

Ms. Taylor thanked City Council for the recognition.

City Council, City Clerk, and City Treasurer thanked the Dispatcher/Jailers.

- c. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to Judie Jacobus and Helen Ridgewell, Signal Hill Police Department volunteers, in recognition of National Volunteer Week, April 18-24, 2021.

Ms. Jacobus and Ms. Ridgewell thanked City Council for the recognition.

City Council thanked and recognized the volunteers.

- d. The Community Development Director made a presentation regarding the kick-off of the public outreach activities for the upcoming 6th Cycle Housing Element Update.

Council Member Woods asked a question regarding the presentation.

Community Development Director addressed the question posed by Council Member Woods.

- e. City Manager made a presentation about COVID-19-related community updates.

Mayor Wilson and City Clerk commented and asked questions regarding the presentation.

City Manager addressed the questions posed by Mayor Wilson and City Clerk.

ORDINANCE

- a. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2021-03-1518 Amending Title 15 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code Adding Chapter 15.42 Floodplain Management

City Manager presented the staff report.

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

There was no public comment.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2021-03-1518, amending title 15, buildings and construction of the Signal Hill Municipal Code by adding Chapter 15.42, relating to flood damage prevention and floodplain management; and authorize staff to submit Ordinance No. 2021-03-1518 to the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Interim City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2021-03-1518, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 15, BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 15.42, RELATING TO FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CITY MANAGER REPORT

a. Resolution Ratifying a Proclamation to Participate in the Energy Upgrade California (EUC) Program

City Manager introduced Community Development Director who presented the staff report. Community Development Director introduced Laura Rosenthal, EUC Field Manager, who provided a presentation on the EUC Program.

Mayor Wilson asked a question regarding the presentation.

Ms. Rosenthal addressed the question posed by Mayor Wilson.

Council Member Woods commented on the presentation.

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

There was no public comment.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to authorize the Mayor to sign a proclamation of participation in the EUC Program.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2021-04-6610 ratifying a proclamation to participate in the EUC Program.

Interim City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2021-04-6610, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, RATIFYING A PROCLAMATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ENERGY UPGRADE CALIFORNIA PROGRAM

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Amendment No. 3 to Contract Services Agreement with MCM Management Co. for Extension of Project Management Services Relating to the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-Basin 4 Stormwater Infiltration Project No. 111

Summary: The City Council will consider Amendment No. 3 to the Contract Services Agreement with MCM Management Co. (MCM) to provide the City with

continued project management services relating to the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-basin 4 Stormwater Infiltration Project No. 111.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Contract Services Agreement with MCM to provide continued project management services relating to the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-basin 4 Stormwater Infiltration Project No. 111, extending the term through April 22, 2022, and increasing the contract amount by \$60,000, for a new total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$1,269,410, in a form approved by the interim City Attorney, with the option to extend one additional one-year term and a contingency in the amount of \$60,000.

b. Agreement for Maintenance Services with West Coast Arborists, Inc. for Tree Trimming and Maintenance Services.

Summary: The Public Works Department supplements its maintenance operations by utilizing contractors to provide routine citywide tree trimming along with other tree-related services, such as removals, planting, arborist inspections, and emergency response. The City Council will consider approving an Agreement for Maintenance Services with West Coast Arborist, Inc. (WCA) to provide citywide tree trimming and other related services with a term of five years and a first year not-to-exceed amount of \$171,809. Years two through five will include cost increases tied to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) with a 2.5% cap.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into an Agreement for Maintenance Services with WCA for a five-year term through June 30, 2026 and an annual not-to-exceed amount of \$171,809, in a form approved by the interim City Attorney, with the option to extend the agreement for one additional five-year term. The annual amount may be adjusted by the applicable CPI in years two through five, but will not be increased in any given year by more than 2.5%.

c. Warrant Register Dated April 13, 2021

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 13, 2021.

d. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of March 23, 2021.

Recommendation: Approve.

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

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Copeland commented on the public comments regarding pickleball earlier in the meeting.

Vice Mayor Jones and Mayor Wilson commented on the commemorative flag for the Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Day.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:43 P.M.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to recess to closed session.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 9:55 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Interim City Attorney reported there was no reportable action taken for closed session items.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. via video and teleconference. Instructions to participate in the meeting will be provided on the meeting agenda.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR WILSON adjourned the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

EDWARD H.J. WILSON
MAYOR

Attest:

CARMEN R. BROOKS
CITY CLERK