



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL

June 8, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held via video/teleconference on June 8, 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 HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND

CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 to conduct public employee performance evaluations.

Titles: City Manager and Department Heads

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 Copeland entered closed session at 6:08 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:20 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

There was no public business from the floor.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Wilson made the following announcements:

All residents age 12 and older are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. Make an appointment online at myturn.ca.gov or check with your healthcare provider or pharmacy. Residents age 12-17 can only receive the Pfizer vaccine, must have a parent/guardian present, and bring proof of age such as a birth certificate or school ID. Those age 16-17 may bring a signed consent form in lieu of an adult.

Residents age 12 and older can walk-up to the Long Beach Terrace Theater, 300 E. Ocean Drive; Monday through Wednesday and Friday between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.; Thursday between 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.; and Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. with proof of residency/age.

Signal Hill Public Library is open on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Regular business hours will resume on Thursday, July 1: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Curbside Pick-Up Service is also available. Call (562) 989-7323 for more information.

Save the dates for these upcoming events:

Concerts in the Park – Wednesdays, July 14, July 21, and, July 28; and Tuesday, August 3. All concerts begin at 6:00 p.m.

Movies in the Park – Friday, July 9, Monday, July 26, and Saturday, August 14

National Night Out – Tuesday, August 3

Signal Hill Library Birthday – Tuesday, August 10

Call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Applications for facility rentals begin on Monday, June 21, 2021. Rentals will commence on July 6, 2021. Call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Brown Bag Food Distribution Program for low-income seniors and families in Signal Hill. Qualifying participants receive a supplementary bag of groceries every week. The program requires pre-authorization and space is limited. Call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Fireworks are prohibited in the City. Report illegal fireworks to the Signal Hill Police Department at (562) 989-7201 as soon as possible.

The Water Replenishment District will start accepting artwork submissions for its Student Art Calendar Contest from July to November 2021. Student artists in grades K-6 are eligible to enter. Winners will receive prizes and have their artwork published in the 2022 Water Awareness Calendar. For more information visit www.wrd.org/studentartcontest or contact Jenn Swart at jswart@wrđ.org.

PRESENTATIONS

- a. American University Health Sciences (AUHS) student pharmacists – Anh Vo, Philippe Lam, Dariush Esfandiari, Rose Souti, and Umlesh Kaur made a presentation regarding low vision awareness.

City Council and City Clerk thanked the AUHS student pharmacists and asked questions regarding the presentation.

AUHS student pharmacists addressed the questions posed by City Council and City Clerk.

- b. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to the Outstanding Older American awardee, Pam Dutch Hughes, in recognition of Older American Recognition Day.

Ms. Dutch Hughes thanked City Council for the recognition.

City Council, City Clerk, and City Treasurer shared their appreciation of Ms. Dutch Hughes.

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

Council Member Hansen commented on the presentation.

Mayor Wilson announced tonight's meeting will be adjourned to a Special City Council Meeting on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. to hold a closed session for public employee appointment – City Attorney.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. Resolution Approving the Engineer's Report and Declaring Intention to Levy Assessments for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 (LLMD)

Mayor Wilson recused himself from the meeting at 8:09 p.m. due to a conflict of interest.

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

Council Member Hansen asked a question regarding the LLMD assessments.

Public Works Contracts Manager addressed the question posed by Council Member Hansen.

Vice Mayor Jones invited the public to comment on the agenda item.

There was no public comment.

Council Member Woods asked a question regarding the LLMD assessments.

City Manager addressed the question posed by Council Member Woods.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2021-06-6616 declaring City Council's intention to levy and collect assessments for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 for Fiscal Year 2021-22 and approving the Engineer's Report; and set the Public Hearing for June 22, 2021.

Interim City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2021-06-6616, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 AND APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: MAYOR WILSON

Mayor Wilson rejoined the meeting at 8:17 p.m.

b. Discussion of Anniversary of Oil Discovery

City Manager presented the staff report.

City Council discussed options to celebrate the 100th anniversary of oil discovery in the City.

Mayor Wilson invited Alex Rothwell with Signal Hill Petroleum (SHP) to comment.

Ms. Rothwell shared SHP's ideas on the anniversary celebration.

Mayor Wilson asked a question regarding Alamitos Well No. 1.

City Manager and Ms. Rothwell addressed the question posed by Mayor Wilson.

City Council continued to discuss options.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by VICE MAYOR JONES to agendaize a presentation at the June 22, 2021 City Council meeting; partner with SHP in installing an additional bronze plaque; and promote the anniversary on City's website and social media.

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. Warrant Register Dated June 8, 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 June 8, 2021.

b. Minutes of the Following Meetings

Regular Meeting of May 25, 2021.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS 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 Hansen and Vice Mayor Jones asked questions regarding Mayor Wilson's agendaized new business report.

Interim City Attorney addressed the questions posed by Council Member Hansen and Vice Mayor Jones.

City Council commented on and discussed Mayor Wilson's new business report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to table Mayor Wilson's new business report.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: VICE MAYOR JONES
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Mayor Wilson asked interim City Attorney for guidance regarding the motion.

Interim City Attorney provided guidance.

Mayor Wilson wished everyone a Happy Father's Day; commented on his activities related to May 20, 2021 and the Cambodian Genocide Remembrance Day; and read a letter from the Cambodian Ambassador.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to adjourn tonight's meeting to a special meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Wednesday, June 9, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. via video and teleconference. Instructions to participate in the meeting will be provided on the meeting agenda. The next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council will be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

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 8:51 p.m.

EDWARD H.J. WILSON
MAYOR

Attest:

CARMEN R. BROOKS
CITY CLERK