



## **MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL**

August 24, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held via video/teleconference on August 24, 2021 pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom.

### **CALL TO ORDER – 6:04 P.M.**

### **ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: NONE

### **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: 1

Case Name: Mike Bubalo Construction Co., Inc. v. The City of Signal Hill

Case Number: Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 20STCV43549

- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, conference with real property negotiators.

Properties: City-owned parcels acquired through eminent domain, including: 2435-2461, 2475, 2485 Gardena Avenue; 1850 E. 28<sup>th</sup> Street; 630-988 E. Spring Street, and 631-799 E. Canton Street in Signal Hill, CA

Agency Designated Representative(s): City Manager and City Attorney

Negotiating Parties: City of Signal Hill, its authorized agents and representatives

Under Negotiation: Price and terms for potential sale or disposal

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

There was no public business from the floor.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:05 P.M.**

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:11 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: NONE

Mayor Wilson asked City Manager to provide meeting participation options.

City Manager provided meeting participation options.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Wilson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney reported on closed session items. There was no reportable action taken.

**CITY MANAGER COMMENTED ON PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURE**

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

Larry Rich, City of Long Beach representative, announced the Ranchos Walk 2021 on September 18, 2021; interested individuals can register for the event and find more information by visiting [www.longbeach.gov/ranchoswalk](http://www.longbeach.gov/ranchoswalk).

Juanita Matthews, Ron Settles Dedication Committee representative, thanked those who helped to commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Ron Settles' death and requested City Council agenda June 2 as Ron Settles Day of Remembrance at a future Council meeting.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Wilson announced that all residents ages 12 and older are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. Make an appointment online at [myturn.ca.gov](http://myturn.ca.gov) or check with your healthcare provider or pharmacy. Residents ages 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.

Mayor Wilson requested City Manager make the following announcements:

Customer alert from Long Beach Transit - Fare collection will resume on Sunday, September 19. Fares were suspended in March 2020 due to COVID-19. Single-ride fare will continue at \$1.25. Promotional discount passes are available thru March 2022 at [RideLBT.com/fares](https://rideLBT.com/fares).

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month – Adults and children that sign-up for a Signal Hill Library Card during the month of September will receive a free Black Bear Diner certificate. To sign-up for a new Library card, please visit the Library or call (562) 989-7323.

First Friday Book Club on Friday, September 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for ages 18 and over at the Signal Hill Library Community Room. Masks are required. Register by calling (562) 989-7323 to receive a copy of the book.

Active Adult Social Club for 55 and over will be held each Tuesday in September: September 7 is early access to the Library at 11:00 a.m. in the Library Community Room; September 14 is Bingo at 10:00 a.m. in the Library Community Room; September 21 is Chair Yoga at 10:00 a.m. on the Library Terrace; and September 28 is Do it Yourself Fall Wood Paint Craft at 10:00 a.m. in the Library Community Room.

The cities of Signal Hill and Long Beach invite you to attend a celebration of Peace and Unity from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 11 at the Unity Monument at Temple Avenue and Hill Street. Please RSVP no later than September 8 by calling (562) 989-7330.

Hounds on the Hill on Saturday, September 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Signal Hill Dog Park. Call (562) 989-7330 for additional information.

Council Member Woods requested a press release for the September 11 event to gather more interest.

City Manager addressed Council Member Woods' request.

City Clerk asked a question regarding the Library Card Sign-Up announcement.

Community Services Director addressed the question posed by City Clerk.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- a. City Clerk provided a presentation regarding the upcoming California Gubernatorial Recall Election on Tuesday, September 14, 2021.

Council Member Copeland asked a question regarding the presentation.

City Clerk and City Manager addressed the question posed by Council Member Copeland.

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

Mayor Wilson commented on the Uptown Jazz Festival he attended in Long Beach.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- a. Introduction of Senate Bill (SB) 1383 Ordinance and Amendment to the Exclusive Franchise Agreement with EDCO Adopting a Rate Increase via Proposition 218 (Prop. 218) Proceedings and Conduct a Public Hearing on Solid Waste Rate Increases

City Clerk read the form of notice.

City Manager asked the City Attorney to provide requirements governing the Prop. 218 public hearing.

City Attorney introduced Josh Nelson with the City Attorney's Office who provided the Prop. 218 public hearing requirements.

City Manager announced anyone wishing to submit a written protest must hand deliver the written protest to the City Clerk at the Council Chamber, 2175 Cherry Avenue prior to the close of the Prop. 218 public hearing.

City Manager introduced Public Works Contracts Manager who presented the staff report and requested to amend the ordinance approving the Amended and Restated Solid Waste Hauling Services Agreement to include a paragraph regarding holiday-related trash service.

Mayor Wilson asked questions regarding food recovery, roll out of SB 1383, and container sizes.

Public Works Contracts Manager, Public Works Director, and City Manager addressed the questions posed by Mayor Wilson.

Mayor Wilson opened the Prop. 218 public hearing at 8:13 p.m.

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

Deputy City Manager reported that one written protest was received prior to the public hearing and read the written protest.

Steve South, President of EDCO, commented on the roll out of SB 1383.

City Clerk and City Treasurer asked questions regarding the containers.

Mr. South addressed the questions posed by City Clerk and City Treasurer.

There were no additional protests or comments.

Mayor Wilson closed the Prop. 218 public hearing at 8:18 p.m.

Mayor Wilson requested the number of written protests received by City Clerk.

City Clerk reported one written protest was received and a majority protest had not been reached.

City Manager provided the staff report recommendations and reminded the public that public comment period ended.

City Council commented and asked questions regarding the roll out of SB 1383 for other agencies.

Mr. South addressed the questions posed by City Council.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2021-08-1526 adding Chapter 8.11 to Title 8 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code relating to organic waste disposal reduction; and waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2021-08-1527 as amended, approving the Amended and Restated Solid Waste Hauling Services Agreement with EDCO Disposal Corporation d.b.a. Signal Hill Disposal and adopting solid waste charges.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2021-08-1526, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 8.11 TO TITLE 8 OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO ORGANIC WASTE DISPOSAL REDUCTION

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2021-08-1527 as amended, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED SOLID WASTE HAULING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH EDCO DISPOSAL CORPORATION D.B.A. SIGNAL HILL DISPOSAL AND ADOPTING SOLID WASTE CHARGES

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

b. Resolution Amending the Uniform Schedule of City Service Fees and Charges

City Clerk read the form of notice.

City Manager presented the staff report.

Mayor Wilson opened the public hearing at 8:29 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 8:30 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2021-08-6632 amending Resolution No. 2021-06-6618, amending the Uniform Schedule of Fees.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2021-08-6632, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2021-06-6618, AMENDING THE UNIFORM SCHEDULE OF FEES

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 REPORTS**

a. Renaming of View Park and Inclusion of Design Elements Focusing on Historical Events and Figures of Signal Hill

City Manager introduced Community Services Director who presented the staff report.

City Council asked questions regarding the renaming of View Park, the design elements, and the Park Subcommittee.

Community Services Director addressed the questions posed by City Council.

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

Ms. Matthews expressed her support in changing the name to Remembrance Park.

City Council commented on and discussed the Park Subcommittee.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by VICE MAYOR JONES to appoint Mayor Wilson and Council Member Woods to sit on The Park Subcommittee and direct the Park Subcommittee to bring back proposed park names and design elements for City Council consideration.

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

b. Future Agenda Item Consideration – City Employee Vaccine Mandate

City Manager presented the staff report.

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

There was no public comment.

City Council commented on and discussed placing a City employee vaccine mandate on a future agenda.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to place the item on an upcoming City Council meeting agenda.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### a. Resolutions Accepting the Dedication of Real Property for Additional Public Right-of-Way at 2327 Orange Avenue

Summary: The City Council will consider approving two resolutions that will: 1) accept the dedication of additional public right-of-way to be used for alley purposes; and 2) accept a dedication for additional public right-of-way for future street purposes associated with the development of property at 2327 Orange Avenue.

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2021-08-6633 accepting the dedication of real property for additional public right-of-way for alley purposes at 2327 Orange Avenue. 2. Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2021-08-6634 accepting the dedication of real property for additional public right-of-way for street purposes at 2327 Orange Avenue.

### b. Schedule of Investments and Monthly Transaction Report

Summary: The Schedule of Investments is a listing of all surplus funds invested for both the City and the Successor Agency to the former Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency as of the date shown on the report. The monthly transaction report provides the changes in investments for the prior month.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

### c. Warrant Register Dated August 24, 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 August 24, 2021.

### d. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of August 10, 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 Woods reported on her attendance at the California Contract Cities Association Executive Board Retreat on August 12-14, 2021.

Council Member Hansen commented on the start of school year and COVID-19 guidelines for returning to school.

Vice Mayor Jones announced meetings and events for those who are interested in participating: Signal Hill Rotary Club meets every Thursday at 7:30 a.m.; Signal Hill Chamber of Commerce Luncheon on Thursday, August 26 at 11:30 a.m. at Jimmy E's; and Signal Hill Community Foundation event coming up in early October.

Mayor Wilson encouraged the public to attend the celebration of Peace and Unity event on September 11.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by VICE MAYOR 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, September 14, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. via video/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 9:12 p.m.

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EDWARD H.J. WILSON  
MAYOR

Attest:

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CARMEN R. BROOKS  
CITY CLERK