



## CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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### MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING SIGNAL HILL PLANNING COMMISSION June 20, 2023

#### FINAL

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill Planning Commission was held in-person in the Council Chambers and via video/teleconference on June 20, 2023.

(1) **CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 P.M.**

Chair Parker called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

(2) **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: CHAIR VICTOR PARKER  
VICE CHAIR SONIA SAVOULIAN  
COMMISSIONER PERICA BELL  
COMMISSIONER SAEIDA MILLER  
COMMISSIONER CHRIS WILSON

ABSENT: NONE

(3) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

(4) **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THIS AGENDA**

Starlet Blanchette, a Signal Hill resident, spoke about Heritage Point Park.

(5) **PRESENTATIONS**

- a. AT ITS REGULARLY ADJOURNED MEETING ON APRIL 25, 2023, THE CITY COUNCIL REAPPOINTED PERICA BELL AND APPOINTED SAEIDA MILLER TO SERVE ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION. ACCORDINGLY, COMMISSIONERS BELL AND MILLER WILL TAKE THE OATH OF OFFICE (ATTACHMENT A) AND RESUME OR BEGIN THEIR DUTIES.

Commission Secretary Doan administered the Oaths of Office for Commissioners Bell and Miller.

- b. ANNUALLY AT THIS TIME, THE COMMISSION SELECTS MEMBERS TO SERVE ONE-YEAR TERMS AS CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR. COMMISSION SECRETARY COLLEEN DOAN WILL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR, AND ONCE SEATED, THE CHAIR WILL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIR TO SERVE THE 2023-24 TERM OF OFFICE.

RECOMMENDATION:

PROCEED WITH THE REORGANIZATION ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURES (ATTACHMENT A).

Commissioner Wilson was nominated to be Planning Commission Chair.

Vice Chair Savouliau was nominated to remain Planning Commission Vice Chair.

It was moved to select Commissioner Wilson as Chair and Commissioner Savouliau as Vice Chair.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: COMMISSIONER BELL  
COMMISSIONER MILLER  
COMMISSIONER PARKER  
COMMISSIONER SAVOULIAU  
COMMISSIONER WILSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

**(6) PUBLIC HEARING**

- a. PUBLIC HEARING - CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 23-01 TO OPERATE THE LONG BEACH FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION CLUB AS DEFINED BY THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE AND TO ALLOW LIMITED LARGE EVENTS AND USE OF THE ADJACENT CITY PARKING LOT PURSUANT TO AN EXECUTED LICENSE AGREEMENT AND FINDING THAT SAID ACTION IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO STATE CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15301

Community Development Director Doan read the form of notice and gave the staff report.

The Commission asked questions regarding the use of the space, the number and size of events, and parking.

Chair Wilson opened the public hearing.

Michael Strauss, Signal Hill resident, commented on item 6(a) and submitted written comments and documents (see attached).

Mary Strauss, Starlet Blanchette, Tamara White, and Nataliya Radchenko, Signal Hill residents, commented on item 6(a).

Chair Wilson closed the public hearing.

It was moved by VICE CHAIR SAVOULIAN and seconded by COMMISSIONER BELL to adopt the resolution as amended, Recommending City Council approval of CUP 23-01.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: CHAIR WILSON  
VICE CHAIR SAVOULIAN  
COMMISSIONER BELL  
COMMISSIONER MILLER  
COMMISSIONER PARKER

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

**(7) DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**

a. SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMITTEE MEMBER AND ALTERNATE

The Planning Commission selected Vice Chair Savouliau to serve as the SCC Member, and selected Commissioner Miller to serve as the SCC Alternate.

**(8) CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. PREVIOUS MINUTES
- b. CITY COUNCIL FOLLOW UP
- c. DEVELOPMENT STATUS REPORT
- d. IN THE NEWS

It was moved by COMMISSIONER PARKER and seconded by COMMISSIONER BELL to approve the Consent Calendar.

**(9) COMMISSION NEW BUSINESS**

(10) **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by VICE CHAIR SAVOULIAN and seconded by COMMISSIONER BELL, to Adjourn to the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission to be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2023 (hybrid meeting format, including in-person, and video and teleconference participation options). Instructions to participate in the meeting will be provided on the meeting agenda.

CHAIR WILSON adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

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CHRIS WILSON  
CHAIR

Attest:

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COLLEEN T. DOAN  
COMMISSION SECRETARY