



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL October 22, 2024

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in-person in the Council Chamber on October 22, 2024.

(1) **CALL TO ORDER – 6:01 P.M.**

(2) **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR LORI WOODS
VICE MAYOR EDWARD WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER TINA HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER KEIR JONES

ABSENT: NONE

(3) **CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 REGARDING PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT.

TITLE: DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

(4) **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

There was no public business from the floor.

(5) **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:02 P.M.**

(6) **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING – 7:14 P.M.**

(7) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

(8) CLOSED SESSION REPORT

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

(9) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

There was no public business from the floor.

(10) COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(11) PRESENTATIONS

- a. THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, LONG BEACH ANIMAL CARE SERVICES STAFF WILL INTRODUCE A PET AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION.

May Villanueva, Representative from Long Beach Animal Care provided agenda item 11a.

- b. THE SUSTAINABLE CITY COMMITTEE HAS AWARDED A SUSTAINABILITY AWARD TO THE HEIGHTS AT SIGNAL HILL, LOCATED AT 2201 EAST 21ST STREET FOR THEIR COMMON AREA REMODEL. THE PROJECT INCLUDED REMOVING THE WATER-AND-ENERGY CONSUMING SWIMMING POOL AND REPLACING IT WITH A BBQ AREA, PATIO, DROUGHT TOLERANT LANDSCAPING, AND A STORMWATER CAPTURE FEATURE. COMMITTEE CHAIR SONIA SAVOULIAN WILL PRESENT THE AWARD.

Mayor Woods provided agenda item 11b.

- c. THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE A PRESENTATION TITLED "PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - STATUS UPDATE ON VARIOUS FY 24-25 CIP PROJECTS."

Public Works Director Thomas Bekele, Contracts Manager Margarita Beltran, and Associate Engineer Jesus Saldana provided agenda item 11c.

(12) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. PROJECT APPROVAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS FOR EAST BURNETT STREET HISTORICAL DISTRICT PEDESTRIAN AND BIKE ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

Council Member Copeland left the Council Chamber at 7:56 p.m. and returned at 7:58 p.m.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Catalyst Environmental Solutions Corporation to provide PA&ED for the East Burnett Street Historical District Pedestrian and Bike Enhancement Project, for a term of six-months and a not-to-exceed contract amount of \$147,260.00, in a form approved by the City Attorney; and authorize the Public Works Director to utilize a project contingency of up to 10%

(\$14,726.00) and approve up to a 180-calendar day term extension to accommodate any unforeseen conditions. The proposed contingency brings the total construction budget to \$161,986.00.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

(13) CONSENT CALENDAR

VICE MAYOR WILSON requested pulling Consent Calendar item 13a. for discussion.

- a. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH INFINITY TECHNOLOGIES FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) MANAGEMENT SERVICES
- b. FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY FOR THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL AND LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH HARBOR WATERS TOXIC POLLUTANTS TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS
- c. CONTRACT AMENDMENT REGISTER DATED OCTOBER 22, 2024
- d. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS AND MONTHLY TRANSACTION REPORT
- e. WARRANT REGISTER DATED OCTOBER 22, 2024
- f. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

VICE MAYOR WILSON motioned and COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND seconded approving the Consent Calendar items b through f.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

a. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH INFINITY TECHNOLOGIES FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Mohammad Ahmed, CEO at Infinity Technologies addressed City Council and answered questions regarding agenda item 13a.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the First Amendment to the agreement with Infinity Technologies increasing the base rate to \$222,000 per year and extending the Contract term to December 1, 2028, with an effective date of November 1, 2024; and adopt Resolution No. 2024-10-6843, amending the adopted budget and authorizing budget appropriations for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

Adopt Resolution No. 2024-10-6843, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

(14) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Jones thanked everyone who attended the recent Signal Hill Community Foundation Gala and commented on the event.

Council Member Copeland reminded everyone to vote.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented on the Signal Hill Community Foundation Gala and thanked everyone for the recognition, the Long Beach City College 75th Anniversary event he attended, and the Cambodian Food Festival at Ten Mile Brewery in Signal Hill; reminded everyone to vote, and announced that November 16 is the homecoming at USC.

Vice Mayor Wilson read the fortune cookie message from dinner and reminded everyone not to be tempted by shortcuts.

Council Member Jones asked the City Clerk for any election updates. City Clerk had no updates except to remind everyone to vote.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced the upcoming Belmont Shore Christmas Parade on December 7 and the Daisy Lane Parade on December 14 for Council and staff participation.

Mayor Woods commented on a legislative briefing provided by Congressman Robert Garcia, a Water Symposium she attended in Lakewood, Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass' closing reception recognizing the Paris Olympics, the Mayor's Clean-up in Signal Hill, the City Selection Committee Meeting, and the Community Foundation Gala.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented on his service as Council Member, serving as the longest continuous serving elected African American in California and requested staff research.

(15) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR WOODS adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

LORI Y. WOODS
MAYOR

Attest:

DARITZA GONZALEZ
CITY CLERK