



## CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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2175 Cherry Avenue ♦ Signal Hill, California 90755-3799

THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL  
WELCOMES YOU TO A REGULAR  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
July 16, 2013

The City of Signal Hill appreciates your attendance. Citizen interest provides the Council and Agency with valuable information regarding issues of the community. Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. In addition, meetings are streamed live on our website at [www.cityofsignalhill.org](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org), and are televised at 7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. every day on Charter Communications Channel 3, and Verizon FiOS Channel 38.

Meetings commence at 6:00 p.m. with the conduct of any business permitted to be conducted in closed session by the Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950, et seq.), if any, and with the public portion of the meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. There is a period for public comment on closed session matters at 6:00 p.m. prior to the closed session. In the event there is no business to be conducted in closed session, the regular meeting shall commence at 7:00 p.m. There is a public comment period at the beginning of the regular meeting, as well as the opportunity to comment on each agenda item as it arises. Any meeting may be adjourned to a time and place stated in the order of adjournment.

The agenda is posted 72 hours prior to each meeting on the City's website and outside of City Hall and available at each meeting. The agenda and related reports are also available for review online and at the City Clerk's office and Library on the Friday afternoon prior to the Council meeting. Agenda and staff reports are also available at our website at [www.cityofsignalhill.org](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org).

During the meeting, the City Manager presents agenda items for Council consideration. The public is allowed to address the council on all agenda items. The mayor will announce when the period for public comment is open on each agenda item. The public may speak to the council on items that are not listed on the agenda. This public comment period will be held at the beginning of the public portion of the meeting. You are encouraged (but not required) to complete a speaker card prior to the item being considered, and give the card to a City staff member. The purpose of the card is to ensure speakers are correctly identified in the minutes. However, completion of a speaker card is voluntary, and is not a requirement to address the council. The cards are provided at the rear of the Council Chamber. Please direct your comments or questions to the Mayor.

(1) CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 P.M.

(2) ROLL CALL

MAYOR NOLL  
VICE MAYOR WILSON  
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN  
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

(3) CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Employees' Association.
- b. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(3)(A), potential litigation in an undisclosed matter.
- c. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, existing litigation, regarding Water Replenishment District of Southern California v. City of Signal Hill, Case No. B242071; Los Angeles Superior Court Case Nos. VC060496, BS128136.

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

(5) RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

(6) RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 P.M.

(7) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(8) CLOSED SESSION REPORT

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

(10) INTRODUCTION(S) AND PRESENTATION(S)

- a. Mayor Noll will introduce recently promoted Police Captain Chris Nunley and Police Lieutenant Mel Krizo with the Signal Hill Police Department.
- b. Mayor Noll and Police Chief Langston will introduce Perla Perez, new full time Police Records Clerk, Delia Martinez, new Police Officer with the Signal Hill Police Department, and Ruby Garcia, Los Angeles County Probation Officer on assignment with the Signal Hill Police Department.

- c. Mayor Noll will present the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Sustainability Award to Costco Wholesale, represented by Scott Kirby, Warehouse Manager, for the Signal Hill store.

(11) ORDINANCE(S)

- a. Ordinance Amending Chapter 8.48 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code Governing Security Alarm Systems

Summary: Ordinance No. 2013-07-1456 was introduced at the City Council meeting of July 2, 2013, and is now presented for second reading and adoption.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2013-07-1456 amending Chapter 8.48 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code, entitled "Security Alarm Systems", to reduce the number of false alarms before a fee is assessed.

- b. Second Reading and Adoption of Zoning Ordinance Amendment 13-01 Trucking Yard Performance Standards and Related Negative Declaration

Summary: Ordinance No. 2013-07-1457 was introduced at the City Council meeting of July 2, 2013 and is now presented for second reading and adoption. The ordinance approves Zoning Ordinance Amendment 13-01 which creates performance standards for all trucking yards, revises the list of existing trucking yards and requires implementation of compliance plans.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2013-07-1457 approving Zoning Ordinance Amendment 13-01 adding Chapter 20.23 "Trucking Yard Performance Standards," to the Signal Hill Municipal Code, amending footnote (LL) Section 20.20.020, "Use Classifications" and replacing the 2006 list of existing trucking yards with a revised list.

- c. Amendment to Signal Hill Municipal Code 2.08-Council Meetings

Summary: At the City Council meeting of May 21, 2013, Council discussed the annual conflict between the city council meeting held the first Tuesday in August and National Night Out which is also held annually on the first Tuesday in August. Rather than agendize the cancellation or postponement of the first meeting in August each year, and because attendance at community events by council members, commissioners, and staff is important to the city council, staff was directed to return with an amendment to the Signal Hill Municipal Code to have one meeting in August to be held on the third Tuesday.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and introduce the ordinance amending Signal Hill Municipal Code 2.08.040 Time of Meetings.

(12) PUBLIC HEARING(S)

a. Proposition 218 Protest Public Hearing-Solid Waste Collection Service Rate Adjustment

Summary: The City Council will conduct the protest hearing for the proposed solid waste collection service rate adjustments for residential, multi-family, and commercial customers of Signal Hill Waste and Recycling Services, and receive property owner protests received during the 45-day protest period.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution pursuant to Signal Hill Municipal Code Section 08.08.040 I, establishing maximum rates for solid waste collection services for each residential unit and commercial/industrial establishment.

b. Continued Public Hearing-Introduction of a Municipal Code Amendment to Title 16 Revising Regulations for Development on Properties with Abandoned Oil Wells and Adoption of an Urgency Ordinance with Temporary Regulations

Summary: The City Council will consider two items. The first is an amendment to the Signal Hill Municipal Code establishing development regulations for properties with abandoned oil wells. This amendment allows development to continue on properties with abandoned oil wells and contains regulations similar to those currently contained in the interim ordinance which will expire shortly. Without the amendment, any property with abandoned oil wells may be potentially undevelopable.

The second action is adoption of an urgency ordinance which contains the same development regulations but takes effect immediately. This is necessary to ensure that development may occur without interruption until the new ordinance takes effect thirty days after the second reading.

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and introduce the ordinance amending Title 16 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code entitled "Oil Code" and Chapter 20.52 entitled "Site Plan and Design Review" to establish regulations regarding development on properties with abandoned oil wells. 2. Waive further reading and adopt the urgency ordinance amending Title 16 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code entitled "Oil Code" and Chapter 20.52 entitled "Site Plan and Design Review" to establish regulations regarding development on properties with abandoned oil wells.

c. Public Hearing-Resolution Finding the City to be in Conformance with the Congestion Management Program

Summary: The Los Angeles County Congestion Management (CMP) requires that each city must self-certify its conformance to the CMP annually at a noticed public hearing. The resolution states that the City of Signal Hill is in conformance with all CMP requirements for the 2012-13 program year.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution finding the city to be in conformance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP) and adopting the CMP Local Development Report, in accordance with California Government Code Section 65089.

(13) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

a. Appointment of Voting Delegates to League of California Cities Annual Meeting

Summary: In order to vote at the League of California Cities (League) Annual Business Meeting being held September 18-20, 2013, in Sacramento, voting delegates and alternates must be designated by the city council. Currently, Council Member Forester is the voting delegate for the City, with Mayor Noll as alternate. This action was taken by the City Council on April 2, 2013. The League allows a third alternate for the conference, but requires city council action.

Recommendation: Council Member Forester is the voting delegate and Mayor Noll is the alternate, pursuant to Resolution No. 2013-04-6016 adopted by the City Council on April 2, 2013. Staff recommends appointing Council Member Woods as the second alternate.

b. Survey Results on Pension and Medical Benefits for Elected Officials

Summary: Staff will present the results of a survey on pension and medical benefits for elected officials.

Recommendations: Provide staff direction.

c. Signal Hill Strategic Plan Update

Summary: The City of Signal Hill's Strategic Plan was developed in 2005 and covered the time period from 2006 to 2011. The Plan needs to be updated for the next three to five year timeframe. The City of Signal Hill has used its Strategic Plan to develop the City Council's strategic agenda and its long-term goals.

Recommendation: Approve the Contract Services Agreement By and Between the City of Signal Hill and Kelly Associates Management Group in an amount not to exceed \$21,000.

#### (14) CONSENT CALENDAR

The following Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. Items will be acted upon by the Council at one time without discussion. Any item may be removed by a council member or member of the audience for discussion.

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

Summary: The City considers adjusting or adding special service fees and charges to better reflect the cost of performing special services. Staff has proposed adjusting the fees necessary to recover the costs related to police responses to false security alarm systems calls for service.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution amending Resolution No. 2013-06-6025, amending the Uniform Schedule of Fees.

b. Agreement for Legal Services

Summary: The City Attorney has submitted a request for consideration of an adjustment to their billing rates. The City Attorney billing rates were last adjusted in 2007.

Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Fee Agreement with Aleshire & Wynder, LLP.

c. Schedule of Investments

Summary: The Schedule of Investments is a listing of all surplus funds invested for both the City and the Successor Agency of the former Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency as of the date shown on the report.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

d. Warrant Register Dated July 16, 2013

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 Registers dated July 16, 2013 for FY 2012-2013 and FY 2013-2014.

e. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of July 2, 2013

Recommendation: Approve.

(15) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER  
COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN  
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS  
VICE MAYOR WILSON  
MAYOR NOLL

(16) ADJOURNMENT

Tonight's meeting will be adjourned in memory of fallen firefighter Kevin Woyjeck and the 18 additional firefighters who died fighting the Yarnell fire in Arizona. The next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Routine matters are handled most quickly and efficiently if contact is made with the City department directly concerned. However, if you would like to request that a matter be presented for City Council consideration, you may do so by writing to the City Council, City Clerk, or City Manager. The deadline for agenda items is 12 noon on the Tuesday preceding the Council and Agency meetings. The complete agenda, including back up materials is available on the City website on the Friday preceding the meeting.

If you need special assistance beyond what is normally provided to participate in City meetings, the City will attempt to accommodate you in every reasonable manner. Please call the City Clerk's office at (562) 989-7305 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to inform us of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible.