



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
WELCOMES YOU TO A REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 19, 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, 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.

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. Each speaker is allowed three minutes to make their comments.

(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 Police Officers Association.
- b. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, to conduct City Manager performance evaluation.
- c. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, to conduct performance evaluation, Assistant to the City Manager/Personnel.
- d. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, existing litigation, regarding State Department of Finance v. Commission on State Mandates, Court of Appeal Case No. B237153.
- e. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), existing litigation, regarding 2745 Walnut Avenue.

(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) PRESENTATION

- a. Mayor Noll will introduce Jacob Sansenbach, new Police Officer with the Signal Hill Police Department.

- b. The City's "Shop Signal Hill" program was created to offer Signal Hill businesses an opportunity to appear at a council meeting and make a short presentation describing their business and the products and services they provide. Tonight's meeting will feature Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

(11) ORDINANCES

- a. Ordinance Amending Signal Hill Municipal Code Chapter 3.28-Claims Against City: Payment Required Before Litigation

Summary: The City of Signal Hill's Municipal Code does not contain a requirement to pay taxes, fines or fees before pursuing litigation. (City of Signal Hill Municipal Code Title 3.) This ordinance would impose a "pay first, litigate later" requirement for litigating tax refund claims or tax disputes concerning any City taxes – requiring persons challenging the payment of taxes, fees, fines, and other payments to the City to make such payments prior to commencing any actions to recover such payments. Adoption of the proposed ordinance will provide the City with the same benefits as the State, protecting the City against delay tactics that could preclude payment of taxes, fees or fines legitimately due and owing to the City for several years.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and introduce the ordinance amending Chapter 3.28 of the Municipal Code entitled "Claims Against City" adding procedural requirements for claims made against city in compliance with the California Government Code.

(12) PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Public Hearing-Resolution to Approve of and Consent to the Assignment of the Oil Pipeline Franchise in Ordinance No. 2006-08-1363 From Arco Terminal Services Corporation (ATSC) to Tesoro SoCal Pipeline Company LLC

Summary: In 2006, the City Council granted a franchise to ARCO Terminal Services Corporation (an affiliate of BP West Coast Products LLC) to operate pipelines in the City's right-of-way. In August 2012, BP West Coast Products LLC (BP) and certain affiliates, including ARCO Terminal Services Corporation and Tesoro SoCal Pipeline Company LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (Tesoro), entered into an Asset Purchase and Sale Agreement whereby BP agreed to sell certain assets to Tesoro. As part of the Agreement, BP will assign its rights under the franchise to Tesoro. The Agreement was finalized as of June 1, 2013. This resolution approves of and consents to the assignment of the franchise under Ordinance No. 2006-08-1363 from BP to Tesoro.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution to approve of and consent to the assignment of the Oil Pipeline Franchise in Ordinance No. 2006-08-1363 from Arco Terminal Services Corporation to Tesoro SoCal Pipeline Company LLC.

b. Public Hearing-Resolution to Amend the Oil Pipeline Franchise in Ordinance No. 2006-08-1363 to Include the Pipelines Previously Covered by Expired Franchise Ordinance No. 1996-01-1201

Summary: The City Council granted a franchise agreement to ARCO Terminal Services Corporation (an affiliate of BP West Coast Products, LLC) in 2006. During the franchise renewal process in 2010, BP experienced the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The renewal process was delayed and their franchise expired. BP continued to make the franchise payments during this period of time. BP has requested an amendment to the City's franchise under Ordinance No. 2006-08-1363 to include the pipelines previously covered by the expired franchise under Ordinance No. 1996-01-1201.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution to amend the oil pipeline franchise in Ordinance No. 2006-08-1363 to include the pipelines previously covered by expired Franchise Ordinance No. 1996-01-1201

c. Public Hearing – Introduction of Zoning Ordinance Amendment 13-04 Revising the Development Standards for Area 6 of the “Sp-7 Special Purpose Housing Specific Plan” to Demonstrate Adequate Affordable Housing Sites in the 2013-2021 Housing Element Update

Summary: Staff will present the City's proposed amendments to Signal Hill Municipal Code Chapter 20.41, entitled "SP-7 Special Purpose Housing Specific Plan" Area 6 regarding the affordable housing site at 1500 E. Hill Street. Proposed changes include: 1. Amending the official zoning map to change the designation of a .20 acre parcel located at 2170 Gundry Avenue from "Light Industrial" to "SP-7 Special Purpose Housing Specific Plan" Area 6. 2. Amending the specific plan text to reflect the increase in project size from 1.41-acres to 1.61-acres in size. 3. Amending the permitted dwelling unit density from a maximum of 60 multiple-family units to 72 multiple-family units.

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and adopt the resolution approving Negative Declaration 10/25/13(1), relative to Zoning Ordinance Amendment 13-04. 2. Waive further reading and introduce the ordinance approving Zoning Ordinance Amendment 13-04, amending the official zoning map to change the designation of a .20-acre parcel at 2170 Gundry Avenue from "Light Industrial" to Area 6 of the "SP-7 Special Purpose Housing Specific Plan" and revising the development standards by increasing the density for 6 to 72 dwelling units.

(13) 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. Contract Services Agreement for Scientific Services with Flow Science, Incorporated

Summary: The City has utilized the services of Flow Science, Incorporated to provide scientific research and expertise on storm water quality related issues since 2003. Staff is recommending renewal of the Contract Services Agreement with Flow Science, Incorporated to continue providing these professional consulting services.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement between the City of Signal Hill and Flow Science, Incorporated, for one year, to provide professional consulting services in a form approved by the City Attorney.

b. Contract Services Agreement For Storm Water Quality and Water Conservation Consulting Services

Summary: The City Council will consider entering into a Contract Services Agreement with Richard Watson and Associates to provide expertise and represent the City on storm water quality and water conservation related issues since 2000. Staff is recommending renewal of the Contract Services Agreement with Richard Watson and Associates to continue providing these professional consulting services.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a 12-month Contract Services Agreement between the City of Signal Hill and Richard Watson and Associates to provide professional services as listed in Exhibit "A" of the Agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney.

c. Optical Ethernet And Fiber Internet Network Agreement With Charter Business

Summary: The City Council will consider entering into an agreement with Charter Business to provide an Optical Ethernet and Fiber Internet Network for all City Public Facilities for phone and internet service.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement with Charter Business Network Operations Center for conversion from Primary Rate Interface to Optical Ethernet (fiber) and Fiber Internet.

d. Award of Contract for the Street and Sidewalk Improvements at 23rd Street Project, No. 686

Summary: On October 22, 2013, the City received bids for the Street and Sidewalk Improvements at 23rd Street Project, No. 686. Staff is recommending an award of contract to Addscape, Inc.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Street and Sidewalk Improvements at 23rd Street Project, No. 686, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to Addscape, Inc. in the amount of \$30,750.

e. 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.

f. Warrant Register Dated November 19, 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 Register dated November 19, 2013 for FY 2013-2014.

g. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of November 5, 2013.

Recommendation: Approve.

(14) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

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

(15) ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 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.