



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL
February 18, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on February 18, 2014.

CALL TO ORDER – 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: NONE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Noll led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Noll made an announcement regarding public comments.

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

Teer Strickland, Long Beach resident addressed Council regarding her candidacy for Long Beach City Council.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the passing of former Signal Hill Council Member Louis Dare.

Sylvia Hopper, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the upcoming Author Talk on Monday, February 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Signal Hill Community Center.

PRESENTATION

- a. City Manager introduced Victor Grgas and Daniel Payan with the City of Long Beach, who gave a presentation to the City Council on the “Zoom Prospector” Economic Development program.

City Council commented on the program and thanked Mr. Grgas and Mr. Payan for the presentation.

Council Member Woods left Council Chamber at 7:36 p.m. and returned at 7:36 p.m.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. Resolution Opposing the Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote Initiative

City Manager presented the staff report.

Council Member Woods requested adding tonight's powerpoint presentation to the city website.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Bob Mendoza, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding Proposition 26 and the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Larry Blunden, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Gary Dudley, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Gloria Nava, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding Proposition 26 and the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

City Attorney addressed the comments made by residents regarding the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented on the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Council Member Hansen asked the City Attorney to speak about the city charter, property taxes, assessments, sales tax, and utility users tax.

Council Member Hansen commented on the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Council Member Woods commented on the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Mayor Noll commented on the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Council Member Forester and Mayor Noll thanked Council Member Woods for her comments.

City Treasurer commented on the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6062 opposing the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6062:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, OPPOSING THE RIGHT TO KNOW AND VOTE INITIATIVE

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

b. Resolutions Pertaining to the Special Municipal Election to be Held Tuesday, June 3, 2014

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6063 calling for the holding of a Special Municipal Election on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, for submission to the voters a proposed charter amendment; waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6064 requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles to consolidate a Special Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, with the Statewide Primary Election to be held on the date pursuant to Section 10403 of the California Elections Code; waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6065

setting priorities for the filing of a written argument regarding a city measure and directing the City Attorney to prepare an impartial analysis; waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6066 providing for the filing of rebuttal arguments for city measures submitted at municipal elections.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6063:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, CALLING FOR THE HOLDING OF A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014, FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS A PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6064:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO CONSOLIDATE A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2014, WITH THE STATEWIDE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 10403 OF THE CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6065:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, SETTING PRIORITIES FOR THE FILING OF WRITTEN ARGUMENTS REGARDING A CITY MEASURE AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PREPARE AN IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6066:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF REBUTTAL ARGUMENTS FOR CITY MEASURES SUBMITTED AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

c. Annual Inspection of Properties with a Conditional Use Permit

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

Mayor Noll left Council Chamber at 8:39 p.m. and returned at 8:40 p.m.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to receive and file.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

d. Annual Review of the 2014 Institutional Permits

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

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6067 conditionally approving the Annual Institutional Permits for the Courtyard Care Center and the Las Brisas Child Care Center.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-02-6067:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, CONDITIONALLY APPROVING THE ANNUAL INSTITUTIONAL PERMITS FOR THE COURTYARD CARE CENTER AND THE LAS BRISAS CHILD CARE CENTER

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Resolution Establishing an All-Way Stop Controlled Intersection at 27th Street and Dawson Avenue

Summary: The City Council will consider adopting a resolution to establish an all-way stop at the intersection of 27th Street and Dawson Avenue.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6068 establishing an all-way stop controlled intersection at 27th Street and Dawson Avenue.

- b. Award of Contract for the Willow Street and Dawson Avenue Intersection Improvements Project

Summary: On February 4, 2014, the City received bids for the Willow Street and Dawson Avenue Intersection Improvements Project, No. 670. Staff is recommending an award of contract to Ruiz Concrete and Paving Company.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Willow Street and Dawson Avenue Intersection Improvements Project, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to Ruiz Concrete and Paving Company in the amount of \$44,305.11.

- c. Memorandum of Understanding Relating to Signal Hill Auto Center Freeway Sign and Additional Advertisement Sign

Summary: The City of Signal Hill together with Regency Outdoor Advertising, Inc. and the Signal Hill Auto Center Association, are entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding the property at 3100 California Avenue. The issues addressed in the MOU include the leases between the City of Signal Hill and Regency and the sublease between Regency and the Signal Hill Auto Center Association. The rehabilitation of the auto center sign is addressed along with an existing billboard sign that Regency owns as well as a new second billboard that is proposed.

Recommendation: Approve the MOU between the City of Signal Hill, Regency Outdoor Advertising, Inc. (Regency) and the Signal Hill Auto Center.

d. Amendment to Add Certain Positions to the Part-Time Salary Schedule

Summary: The City Council will consider a proposed amendment to the part-time salary resolution that will establish salary ranges for certain full-time positions that are currently filled on a part-time basis. Part-time employees are used to fill these positions primarily because the workload does not justify the need for a full-time employee.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-02-6069 amending Resolution No. 2012-11-5989, establishing salary ranges for hourly employees and repealing all other resolutions and portions of resolutions in conflict herewith.

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 of the report.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

f. Warrant Register Dated February 18, 2014

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 February 18, 2014.

g. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of February 4, 2014.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Forester thanked Urban Futures for the Independent Fiscal Analysis on the Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

Council Member Hansen thanked the Community Services Department for implementing Parents Night Out.

Council Member Hansen announced the new stop sign is up at 21st Street and Raymond Avenue and thanked everyone involved.

Council Member Woods asked about the publishing of public notices and agenda posting.

City Manager addressed the questions regarding posting of public notices and agendas.

Council Member Woods announced residents can sign up for e-notify on the city website to receive notifications when the Council agenda is posted.

Council Member Woods announced the County Sanitation District is holding an event celebrating Earth Day on Saturday, April 12, at 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier. Please visit the city website for additional details at www.cityofsignalhill.org.

Council Member Woods announced there will be two informational meetings regarding the City's 90th Anniversary on Wednesday, March 5, at 6:00 p.m. and Thursday, March 6, at 10:00 a.m. in the PRIDE building on Legion Drive. Please call (562) 989-7330 for additional information.

Mayor Noll invited Captain Nunley to come forward.

Captain Nunley announced a Make-A-Wish Foundation event on Saturday, February 22, at 9:00 a.m. when the Signal Hill Police Department will partner with LA County Fire Department in granting a wish for a young boy.

Mayor Noll asked Captain Nunley about a recent report about an elderly resident who was missing.

Captain Nunley reported the resident had been located and is safe and at home.

Mayor Noll announced funeral services for Signal Hill resident and former Council Member Louis Dare will be held on Friday, February 21, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 600 Olive Avenue, Long Beach.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced the last Council meeting was adjourned in memory of Louis Dare.

CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(3)(A), potential litigation in an undisclosed matter.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public business from the floor.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to recess to closed session at 8:54 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 9:46 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney reported on closed session item. No reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR NOLL
 VICE MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR NOLL adjourned the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

Michael J. Noll
Mayor

Attest:

Kathleen L. Pacheco
City Clerk