



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
WELCOMES YOU TO A REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 1, 2014

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 five minutes to make their comments.

(1) CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 P.M.

(2) ROLL CALL

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

(3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

(5) PRESENTATION

- a. Chief of Police Langston will introduce members of Make a Wish Greater Los Angeles and Make a Wish Recipient Alan Nguyen. Mayor Wilson will present the Make a Wish Foundation and Alan Nguyen proclamations in recognition of Make a Wish Foundation's contributions to the greater Los Angeles community and Junior Officer Alan Nguyen.
- b. Don Pedersen, Representative from the Los Angeles County PoliceChiefs' Association, will make a presentation on the Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote initiative.
- c. In celebration of the City's 90th Anniversary, Mayor Wilson will present certificates of recognition to nonagenarian residents of Signal Hill to honor their residency and their longevity.

(6) ORDINANCES

- a. Ordinance Adoption-Amendment to SHMC 2.90-Elections and Campaign Finance Ordinance-Political Action Committees

Summary: Ordinance No. 2014-03-1468 was introduced on March 4, 2014, and is now ready for second reading and adoption. This ordinance amends SHMC Section 2.90 to require local filing by independent expenditure committees. Approval of this ordinance would increase disclosure for independent expenditures made in support of or opposition to candidates or ballot measures; and would require independent expenditure reports be filed subject to the new requirements in SHMC 2.90.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the ordinance amending Chapter 2.90 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code, Elections and Campaign Contributions to disclose independent expenditures by outside parties.

(7) PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Public Hearing-Resolution Approving the Proposed Use of 2014-2015 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds

Summary: For fiscal year 2014-2015, the City of Signal Hill will receive approximately \$58,889 in new Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds under the Los Angeles County Urban County allocation from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). There is a balance of \$3,229 in unallocated CDBG funds making a total of \$62,118 available for FY 2014-15. To participate in the CDBG Program, the City is required to conduct a public hearing to receive public input on the proposed CDBG Projects. Staff is proposing continuation of the Senior Food Distribution Program and Street and Sidewalk Improvements in eligible areas of the City. The City Council is required to adopt a resolution affirming these projects.

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and adopt the resolution approving the City's 2014-2015 application for housing and community development funds and authorizing submission of such application to the Los Angeles County Community Development Commission. 2. Authorize the City Manager to approve the estimated CDBG Allocation for fiscal year 2014-2015 funds of \$58,889, with 15% or \$8,833 for Public Service Projects, and the remaining \$53,285 to fund ADA Street and Sidewalk Improvements in eligible areas of the City.

(8) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. Resolution Approving the Engineer's Report and Declaring Intention to Levy Assessments for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1

Summary: Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 was formed in 1992 to provide funding for the maintenance of common landscaped areas within the California Crown Tract. Annually, the City Council must initiate proceedings to renew the levy and collection of special assessments for the District. The proposed cost of living increase for this year is 1.08%.

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and adopt the resolution declaring its intention to levy and collect assessments for Landscape and Lighting Maintenance District No. 1 for fiscal year 2014-15 and approving the engineer's report. 2. Set the public hearing for May 20, 2014.

- b. Award of Contract for the Signal Hill Police Station Demolition Project, No. 867

Summary: On March 18, 2014, the City received bids for the Signal Hill Police Station Demolition Project. Staff is recommending an award of contract to 5M Contracting, Inc.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Signal Hill Police Station Demolition Project, No. 867 to 5M Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$486,224, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

c. Award of Contract for the Signal Hill Community Garden Project, No. 738

Summary: On March 18, 2014, the City received bids for the Signal Hill Community Garden Project, No. 738. Staff is recommending an award of contract to Asphalt, Fabric and Engineering, Inc.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Signal Hill Community Garden Project, No. 738, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to Asphalt, Fabric and Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$165,615 and accept M. C. Alyea Construction's request to withdraw its bid.

d. View Park and Monument Sign Location

Summary: Staff will present the proposed location for a view park and monument sign with an electronic message center.

Recommendations: 1. Approve the site at the southwest corner of Burnett and Cherry for use as a view park with a monument sign. 2. Direct staff to work with the Parks and Recreation Commission to develop a conceptual design.

e. Council Appointments to Various Organizations

Summary: The City Council will consider appointments to various committees and organizations resulting from the recent City Council reorganization.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution amending Resolution No. 2013-04-6016, confirming the appointment of delegates and alternates as official representatives of the city.

(9) 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. Award of Contract Extension for Concrete and Asphalt Maintenance

Summary: The Public Works Department supplements its maintenance operations by utilizing a contractor to construct concrete and asphalt repairs to City streets and sidewalks. This contract enables Maintenance Operations to better respond to the ongoing need to repair damaged or deteriorated curbs, gutters, sidewalks, wheelchair ramps, and utility patches.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute a one-year extension to the amended Contract Services Agreement for Concrete and Asphalt Maintenance with Lovell Construction, Inc., in a form approved by the City Attorney.

b. Purchase of Two Replacement Public Works CNG Trucks

Summary: Staff is seeking authorization to purchase two replacement CNG trucks for the Public Works Department. Staff proposes to purchase these vehicles from the National Auto Fleet Group. This purchase will be made under the National Joint Powers Alliance Bid Number 102811.

Recommendation: Authorize the Vehicle and Equipment Services Division to purchase two new 2015 Ford Super Duty F250 Super Cab Dedicated CNG pickup trucks from National Auto Fleet Group through the National Joint Powers Alliance Bid Number 102811.

c. Establishing New Classification-Water Systems Operator II

Summary: The City Council will consider establishing the new job classification of Water Systems Operator II in the Water Department. The new classification is being proposed to better suit the Department's needs and the ability to attract and retain well qualified applicants to operate the City's complex water system.

Recommendations: 1. Approve the creation of the Water Systems Operator II position and establish the new salary range of \$4,173-\$5,325 per month. 2. Amend the Senior Water Systems Operator salary range from the current \$4,173-\$5,325 per month to \$4,382-\$5,593 per month.

d. Update Regarding Nonprofit Organizations Memorandums of Understanding

Summary: Staff will provide an update regarding Memorandums of Understanding with Signal Hill nonprofit organizations.

Recommendation: Receive and file report.

e. Warrant Register Dated April 1, 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 April 1, 2014.

f. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of March 18, 2014.

Recommendation: Approve.

(10) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

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

(11) CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, existing litigation, Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote, Proposed Charter Amendment to City of Signal Hill City Charter by Maria Harris, Proponent, regarding Writ of Mandate Directing Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters to Amend Ballot Label and set Order to Show Cause Hearing and for attorney fees, Case No. BS147681.
- b. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, existing litigation, regarding City of El Centro, et.al. v. The State of California, Case No. 37-2014-00003824-CU-WM-CTL.
- c. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations with unrepresented employees.
- d. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Police Officers Association.

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

(13) RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

(14) RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

(15) CLOSED SESSION REPORT

(16) ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council will be held on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 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.