



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

2175 Cherry Avenue ♦ Signal Hill, California 90755-3799

THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
WELCOMES YOU TO A REGULAR
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 5, 2010
7:00 P.M.

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.

The agenda is posted 72 hours prior to each meeting 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. Agendas 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 may speak on an agenda item once the item is opened for discussion by the Mayor. Please complete a speaker card prior to the item being considered, and give the card to a City staff member in order to be recognized and correctly identified in the minutes. The cards are provided at the rear of the Council Chambers. Please state your name and direct your comments or questions to the Mayor.

(1) CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

(2) ROLL CALL

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

(3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(4) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

If you wish to address the City Council regarding any matter, listed on or off the agenda, please complete a speaker card prior to speaking. State law (Brown Act) prohibits the City Council from acting upon any item not posted 72 hours before a regular meeting and 24 hours before a special meeting. Please submit your speaker card to staff, state your name for the official record using the microphone at the podium and courteously limit your remarks. Council members cannot specifically discuss applications or public hearing items before the Planning Commission, since the City Council serves as the appeals board to commission actions.

(5) PRESENTATION(S)

- a. Introduction of Josh Beard Recently Promoted to Senior Maintenance Worker and Ginny Hellerud, new Administrative Assistant

Summary: Mayor Wilson will introduce Josh Beard, recently promoted to Senior Maintenance Worker in the Public Works Department and Ginny Hellerud, new Administrative Assistant in the Community Services Department for the City of Signal Hill.

- b. Presentation to the Association of School Health Educators

Summary: Mayor Wilson will present a proclamation to the California Association of School Health Educators in recognition of National Health Week.

(6) ORDINANCE(S)

- a. Introduction of an Ordinance and a Resolution of Intent to Approve and Authorize an Amendment to the Contract Between the City Council and the California Public Employees' Retirement System Pertaining to the 3% @ 55 Retirement Formula for Local Police Members Hired After the Effective Date of the Ordinance

Summary: A resolution is being presented to state the City's intent to adopt a new California Public Employees' Retirement System retirement formula for newly hired sworn police employees. The City Council will also consider introducing an ordinance to adopt the 3%@55 PERS retirement formula for newly hired sworn police employees.

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and adopt the resolution declaring its intention to approve an amendment to the contract between the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System and the City Council of the City of Signal Hill. 2. Waive further reading and introduce the ordinance authorizing an amendment to the contract between the City Council of the City of Signal Hill and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

(7) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

a. City Street Tree Policy

Summary: City Council will consider the approval of a City Street Tree Policy. The goal of the Policy is to provide staff with a consistent method in addressing street tree issues. This Policy is not intended to be applied to trees located in City parks or on private property, including private streets and property owned and maintained by homeowners associations.

Recommendation: Approve the City Street Tree Policy.

b. Ballot Propositions – 19, 22 & 26

Summary: The statewide November 2nd election contains initiatives where an unfavorable outcome could adversely impact cities. This report discusses the potential impacts of Propositions 19, 22 and 26 on City operations.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City oppose Propositions 19 and 26, and support Proposition 22.

c. Second Meeting in December

Summary: The second meeting in December falls on December 21, 2010. This being a holiday week, City Council will consider cancelling this meeting to the first meeting in January 2011.

Recommendation: Discuss whether or not to cancel the December 21, 2010 meeting and give direction to staff.

d. Civil Service Commission Vacancy

Summary: A Civil Service Commission seat has become vacant due to a recent resignation of a Commissioner. Staff is seeking authorization to open a recruitment and accept applications from residents who are interested in filling the vacant Commission seat.

Recommendation: Authorize staff to open a recruitment and accept applications to fill the unexpired term of the vacant Commission seat, which ends May 31, 2013.

e. Los Angeles County City Selection Committee

Summary: The City Council will consider selecting a voting delegate to attend the next meeting of the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee scheduled for Thursday, October 7, at 8:00 p.m.

Recommendation: Select a voting delegate.

(8) 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. Warrant Register Dated October 5, 2010

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 October 5, 2010.

b. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of September 21, 2010.

Recommendation: Approve.

(9) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

(10) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

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

a. Report on Meeting Attendance

Summary: Government Code Section 53232.3 requires that if a local agency reimburses members of a legislative body for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of official duties, they shall provide a brief report on the meeting attended at the expense of the local agency at the next regular meeting of the legislative body.

Mayor Wilson will report on his attendance at the League of California Cities Annual Conference held in San Diego on September 15-18, 2010.

(11) ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Signal Hill City Council is Tuesday, October 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., to be held in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA, 90755.

(12) 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 1) writing to the City Council or the City Manager, or, 2) completing an Agenda Item Request Form available from the City Clerk. The deadline for agenda items is 12 noon on the Tuesday preceding the Council and Agency meetings. Agendas are mailed to those who provide self-addressed, stamped envelopes to the City Clerk's office.

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.