



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL  
March 4, 2014**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on March 4, 2014.

**CALL TO ORDER – 6:04 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR WILSON

**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 AT 6:05 P.M.**

Vice Mayor Wilson entered the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 6:37 P.M.**

City Attorney requested adding an item to closed session.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to add an additional item to closed session.

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

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN

ABSTAIN:      NONE

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:38 P.M.**

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:05 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Noll invited the Fire Dragons of Camp Fire USA to come forward and lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney reported on closed session items. Status reports were given and no reportable action was taken.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mayor Noll made an announcement regarding public comments.

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

Larry Blunden, Signal Hill resident and representative of the Signal Hill Historical Society addressed Council regarding a rummage sale on Saturday, March 15.

Ellen Ward, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the AIDS Food Store and a benefit dinner honoring Council Member Forester on March 31, 2014 at the Grand in Long Beach.

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

City Attorney addressed comments made by Ms. Harris regarding the Taxpayers Right to Know and Vote Initiative.

## **PRESENTATION**

- a. Members of Camp Fire USA presented City Council with a birthday cake, and Mayor Noll presented a proclamation to Camp Fire USA Long Beach in recognition of Camp Fire USA's 104<sup>th</sup> Birthday.
- b. Mayor Noll presented a proclamation to Lisa Harris, Representative of the American Red Cross in recognition of "March is Red Cross Month."

## **ORDINANCE(S)**

- a. Ordinance Introduction-Amendment to Signal Hill Municipal Code 2.90-Elections and Campaign Finance Ordinance-Political Action Committee

City Manager presented the staff report.

Vice Mayor Wilson asked about changing the reporting amount of independent expenditures by outside parties to one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

City Attorney addressed the question posed by Vice Mayor Wilson.

Ellen Ward, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and spoke in favor of the ordinance.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2014-03-1468 amending Chapter 2.90 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code, Elections and Campaign Contributions to disclose independent expenditures by outside parties with the requested change itemized contributions to one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or greater, from five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or greater.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2014-03-1468:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2.90 OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE, ELECTION AND CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS TO DISCLOSE INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES BY OUTSIDE PARTIES

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

### **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

a. Opposition to HR 29 (Gomez)-Restrictions on Outsourcing City Services

City Manager presented the staff report.

Mayor Noll asked about a resolution in opposition to HR 29.

City Manager stated a resolution could be brought back at a future meeting.

Vice Mayor Wilson asked about the broadness of HR 29.

City Attorney addressed the question posed by Vice Mayor Wilson.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to direct the Mayor to execute a letter in opposition to HR 29 and staff to draft a resolution to bring back to Council.

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

City Manager requested the next two related agenda items be combined and discussed together.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to discuss agenda items (b) and (c) together.

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. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 and Carryover Appropriations from Fiscal Year 2012-2013 to Fiscal Year 2013-14

City Manager introduced Finance Director who presented the staff report.

City Council asked questions regarding the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Finance Director addressed questions posed by Council.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to receive and file the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 and approve the carryover of certain appropriations from fiscal year 2012-13 to 2013-14 and approve a budget adjustment to reflect necessary changes.

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. Mid-Year 2013-2014 Budget Review

Finance Director presented the staff report.

City Council asked questions regarding the budget.

Finance Director, Public Works Director, and City Manager addressed the questions posed by Council.

City Council discussed the budget with the Finance Director and City Manager.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to receive and file and approve budget adjustment 2014-03-04c.

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. Reclassification of Assistant to the City Manager/Personnel to Human Resources Director

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. 2014-03-6070 amending Resolution No. 2013-08-6033, deleting the classification of Assistant to the City Manager/Personnel and establishing the classification of Human Resources Manager and approve budget adjustment in the amount of \$5,850.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2014-03-6070:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2013-08-6033, DELETING THE CLASSIFICATION OF ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER/PERSONNEL AND ESTABLISHING THE CLASSIFICATION OF HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER

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

e. 2013 General Plan Annual Progress Report

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

Council Member Forester asked about the demolition of the old police station.

Deputy City Manager discussed the demolition and addressed the questions posed by Council Member Forester.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to authorize submittal of the Annual Progress Report to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and the Department of Housing and Community Development.

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 Amending Records Retention Schedule to Add Sustainable City Committee

Summary: The City's Records Retention schedule was amended in June 2013; however, the Sustainable City Committee was not included at that time. This amendment to the city's records retention schedule adds records for the Sustainable City Committee to the Community Development schedule.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2014-03-6071 amending the city's Records Retention Schedule previously adopted by Resolution No. 2013-06-6022, and repealing all prior resolutions.

- b. Warrant Register Dated March 4, 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 March 4, 2014.

- c. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of February 18, 2014.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN 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 commented he is very pleased the city is moving in such a positive direction.

Council Member Hansen announced an editorial in the Press Telegram on February 27, 2014 regarding the Know and Vote Initiative and encouraged residents to read it.

Council Member Woods announced there will be two informational meetings regarding the City's 90<sup>th</sup> 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 bring any historical memorabilia, documents, pictures, etc. Please call (562) 989-7330 for additional information.

Council Member Woods invited Neena Strichart, Publisher for the Signal Tribune, to discuss the banner program for the upcoming 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Banners may be purchased for \$275. Please call (562) 595-7900 for additional information.

Council Member Forester thanked Council Member Woods for her efforts with the City's 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced he attended the grand opening of Chile Bravo on Lakewood Boulevard and Willow Street.

Mayor Noll announced the Active Adult Excursion to Movie Stars' Homes Tour on Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For additional information please call (562) 989-7330.

Mayor Noll invited the Community Services Director to come forward for price information.

Community Services Director announced the price for the excursion is \$65 for residents and \$70 for non-residents.

Mayor Noll announced the Signal Hill Community Foundation is sponsoring a free screening of *Race to Nowhere*. Please call (562) 989-7330 for additional information or to register for childcare.

Council Member Hansen commented on the *Race to Nowhere* Documentary and encouraged everyone to attend.

Mayor Noll thanked Council Member Forester and requested he speak about the Signal Hill Community Foundation.

Council Member Forester spoke about the Signal Hill Community Foundation and the recent Author Talk at the Library.

Mayor Noll thanked the Library staff for the recent Author Talk.

## **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 18, 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  
                 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:      NONE

ABSENT:      NONE

ABSTAIN:      NONE

MAYOR NOLL adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

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Michael J. Noll  
Mayor

Attest:

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Kathleen L. Pacheco  
City Clerk