



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
August 19, 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 three minutes make their comments.

(1) CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 P.M.

(2) ROLL CALL

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

(3) CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, to conduct department head evaluations.
- b. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, existing litigation, regarding Cerritos et.al. v. WRD Case No. BS128136.

(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) PRESENTATIONS & INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Chief Langston will introduce Sara Pol-Lim, Executive Director from the United Cambodian Community who will speak about the organization.
- b. Staff will present a video capturing the events of the City's 90th Anniversary Celebration and Picnic.
- c. The Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County will give a presentation on the Willow Street Sewer Project

(11) PUBLIC HEARING(S)

a. Housing Related Zoning Ordinance Amendment

Summary: In accordance with the legal mandates from the State of California, the adopted 2013-2021 Housing Element Update includes programs to eliminate constraints for special needs housing. The City is proposing to amend Title 20 (Zoning) of the Signal Hill Municipal Code to implement the first phase of the programs as follows: Revise the definition of “Family” to comply with current fair housing laws, add State definitions for various special needs housing, and allow housing uses as either a permitted use “by right” in all residential zoning designations, or as specified, in a single residential zoning designation with a Conditional Use Permit (CUP).

Recommendations: 1. Waive further reading and adopt the resolution approving Negative Declaration 06/20/14(1), relative to Zoning Ordinance Amendment 14-02, amendments to Title 20 of the Municipal Code regarding definitions and use classifications for various special needs housing in accordance with state mandates. 2. Waive further reading and adopt the resolution approving Zoning Ordinance Amendment 14-02, amendments to Title 20 of the Municipal Code regarding definitions and use classifications for various Special Needs Housing in accordance with state mandates.

(12) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

a. Water Conservation Efforts

Summary: The State Water Resources Control Board issued drought regulations on July 15, 2014 that apply to all State residents and local water agencies in an effort to conserve water. The key provisions include authorizing agencies the ability to issue \$500 fines for violations, a two day per week lawn watering limit, and four specific prohibited water wasting actions.

Recommendation: Continue with the present approach on water conservation which involves intensifying City public outreach efforts and communicating MWD and Central Basin Municipal Water District rebates and other conservation programs. Staff does not recommend that the City Council declare a Level II water shortage emergency condition at this time.

b. Gateway Water Management Authority

Summary: The City of Signal Hill is a founding member of the Gateway Water Management Authority. Staff will provide an overview of the Authority and its role in regional storm water quality and water related issues.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

c. Strategic Plan Community Meeting

Summary: A series of meetings, including two community meetings, have been completed to obtain public input on the City's Strategic Plan Update. The City Council will consider scheduling a third community meeting.

Recommendation: Provide direction to staff.

CALL THE HOUSING AUTHORITY TO ORDER

d. Demolition of Buildings at 1456 Hill Street and 2170 Gundry Avenue

Summary: The City Council awarded a contract to 5M Construction for the demolition of the former police station building. Staff is recommending a change order to the 5M Construction contract in the amount of \$54,850 to demolish two vacant buildings located at 1456 Hill Street and 2170 Gundry Avenue. The demolition of these buildings will clear a portion of a site planned for a future affordable housing development.

Recommendations: 1. Approve a change order to the Signal Hill Police Station Demolition Project in the amount of \$54,850 for the demolition of 1456 Hill Street and 2170 Gundry Avenue. 2. Approve a budget adjustment transferring \$60,000 from Account No. 139.001.480.801 to the Police Station Demolition Project, Account No. 128.740.545.869.

RECESS THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

(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. Award of Contract for the City Hall and Community Center HVAC Replacement Project, No. 608

Summary: On June 3, 2014, the City received bids for the City Hall and Community Center HVAC Replacement Project, No. 608. Staff is recommending an award of contract to RT Contractor Corp.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the City Hall and Community Center HVAC Replacement Project, No. 608, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to RT Contractor Corp. in the amount of \$34,800.

b. State of California-Office of Traffic Safety Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant

Summary: The City of Signal Hill has been awarded grant funding through the State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Selective Traffic Enforcement Program. The Chief of Police is seeking authorization to accept the grant.

Recommendation: Authorize the Chief of Police to accept grant funding through the OTS Step Grant Program.

c. 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.

d. Warrant Registers Dated August 19, 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 Registers dated August 19, 2014.

e. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of July 29, 2014.

Recommendation: Approve.

(14) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

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

(15) ADJOURNMENT

Tonight's meeting will be adjourned to Tuesday, September 2, 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.