



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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**THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL WELCOMES YOU
TO A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
October 8, 2013**

7:00 p.m.

The City of Signal Hill appreciates your attendance. Citizen interest provides the Planning Commission with valuable information regarding issues of the community.

Regularly scheduled meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The agenda is posted 72 hours prior to each meeting on the City's website and outside of City Hall and is available at each meeting. The agenda and related reports are at the Library on the Friday afternoon prior to the Commission meeting. During the meeting, the Director presents agenda items for Commission consideration. The public is allowed to address the Commission on all agenda items. The Chair will announce when the period for public comment is open on each agenda item. The public may speak to the Commission 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 Commission. The cards are provided at the rear of the Council Chamber. Please direct your comments or questions to the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Austin
Commissioner Fallon
Commissioner Murphy
Vice-Chair Benson
Chair Richárd

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Chair will lead the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Matters of general concern, which are not on the agenda, can be addressed during this portion of the meeting, and also before adjournment. However, State law (Government Code Section 54959 et seq.) prohibits the Planning Commission from acting upon any item not contained in the agenda.

PRESENTATION

Community Services Director Pilar Alcivar-McCoy will provide an update of the activities of the Parks and Recreation Commission and address concerns regarding proliferation of signs.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Long Beach Islamic Center

Summary: In 2007 the City approved a Site Plan and Design Review (SPDR) and a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) requested by the Long Beach Islamic Center for construction of a religious facility at 995 27th Street in the CG, Commercial General, zoning district. The SPDR approval expired in 2009 prior to commencement of construction. In 2009, the applicant submitted a new application and a second approval was granted. Construction began, but stalled with the building partially completed. The building permits, SPDR and CUP approvals all expired in May 2013.

The applicant is once again requesting approval of the SPDR and CUP for the same project that was approved in 2007 and in 2009. They have reported that recent fundraising efforts have allowed them to hire a professional project manager and fundraising event coordinator. They have submitted a letter acknowledging the requirements of the new Construction Time Limits Ordinance and state that they are capable of completing the project within the provisions of the ordinance.

Recommendations: 1) waive further reading and adopt a resolution recommending City Council approval of Conditional Use Permit 13-02; and 2) waive further reading and adopt a resolution approving Site Plan and Design Review 13-04.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. Items will be acted upon by the Commission at one time without discussion. Any item may be removed by a Commissioner or member of the audience for discussion.

2. Minutes

Recommendation: Approve.

3. City Council Follow-up

Recommendation: Receive and file.

4. Development Status Report

Recommendation: Receive and file.

5. Code Enforcement Report

Recommendation: Receive and file.

6. In the News

Recommendation: Receive and file.

COMMISSION NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Austin
Commissioner Fallon
Commissioner Murphy
Vice-Chair Benson
Chair Richárd

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting to be held Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at City Hall.

If you need special assistance beyond what is normally provided to participate in Commission 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.