



MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL

January 18, 2011
7:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on January 18, 2011.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Employees' Association and the Signal Hill Police Officers Association.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, real property negotiations, between the City of Signal Hill and Nicholas C. Payiatis, regarding real property located at 1917 E. 21st Street.

RECONVENE – 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Wilson led 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.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no public business from the floor.

PRESENTATION(S)

- a. Mayor Wilson presented a pin to Parks & Recreation Commissioner Louise Cunningham commemorating 5 years on the Commission.
- b. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to the Wilson High School Choir for their performances for the City of Signal Hill community events.
- c. Bryan Rogers, Executive Director, Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network gave a presentation to the City Council on the Signal Hill/Network partnership, and demonstrated the "HireSignalHill.com" website.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Public Hearing – Resolution Declaring Impasse with the Signal Hill Employees' Association Regarding the Use of a Part-Time Contract Building Inspector

City Manager introduced the Deputy City Manager who presented the staff report.

Mayor Wilson opened the Public Hearing at 7:39 p.m.

Mayor Wilson invited representatives for the Signal Hill Employees' Association to make a presentation. No presentation or comment was received by the Association.

Mayor Wilson asked for anyone speaking in favor of or opposed to the Resolution to please come forward.

There being none Mayor Wilson closed the Public Hearing at 7:40 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2011-01-5862 declaring impasse with the Signal Hill Employees' Association on the use of a part-time contract Building Inspector.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2011-01-5862:

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of City of Signal Hill, California, declaring impasse with the Signal Hill Employees' Association on the use of a part-time Contract Building Inspector.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

b. Public Hearing – Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Outdoor Storage Yards and Areas

City Clerk read the form of notice.

City Manager introduced the Assistant Planner who presented the staff report.

Mayor Wilson opened the public hearing at 8:02 p.m.

Mayor Wilson invited anyone speaking in favor of or opposed to the Zoning Ordinance Amendment to please come forward.

There being none, Mayor Wilson closed the public hearing at 8:02 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to receive testimony and refer the item back to the Planning Commission to consider an additional standard regarding NPDES requirements.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

CHAIR HANSEN CALLED THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO ORDER AT 8:06 P.M.

- a. Preliminary Year-End Financial and Carryover Report for Fiscal Year 2009-2010
- b. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2009-2010 and the Agency's Component Unit Financial Statements

City Manager introduced the Director of Finance who presented the staff reports.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to approve the recommended adjustments contained within Exhibit "C" of the Preliminary Year-End and Carryover Report and receive and file; and receive and file the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 20, 2010.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

It was moved by VICE CHAIR NOLL and seconded by MEMBER WARD to approve the recommended adjustments contained within Exhibit "C" of the Preliminary Year-End and Carryover Report and receive and file; and receive and file the Agency's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 20, 2010.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: CHAIR HANSEN
VICE CHAIR NOLL
MEMBER FORESTER
MEMBER WARD
MEMBER WILSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CHAIR HANSEN RECESSED THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AT 8:39 P.M.

c. Annual Inspection of Properties with Conditional Use Permits

City Manager introduced the Assistant Planner and Director of Community Development who presented the staff report.

Council Member Ward left council chamber at 8:43 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by VICE MAYOR FORESTER to receive and file.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER WARD

ABSTAIN: NONE

Council Member Ward returned to the council chamber at 8:45 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Resolution Amending Conflict of Interest Code

Summary: Government Code Section 87300 et. seq. requires local governments to review their conflict of interest code to determine its accuracy or make amendments. On September 21, 2010, the City Council received and filed the required biennial code review. No changes were made to the City's conflict of interest code. It is now necessary to amend the City's Conflict of Interest Code to remove the positions of Community Services Supervisor and Redevelopment Coordinator.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2011-01-5863 amending Resolution No. 2010-01-5803, updating the Conflict of Interest Code for the City of Signal Hill.

b. Resolution Authorizing City Attorney to Join as Amicus Party

Summary: The City Attorney is responsible for monitoring litigation matters throughout the State and for updating the City Council on litigation that the City and League have taken a position on, including any litigation that would advance or frustrate the City Council's adopted policies or the long-term interests of the City. Often, due to the timing of certain litigation matters, requests are not made within sufficient time for review and approval by the City Council. This resolution would authorize the City Attorney to act without Council's specific direction in exigent circumstances.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2011-01-5864 authorizing the City Attorney to send letters and file amicus briefs in third party litigation consistent with procedures provided herein.

c. Resolution Accepting the Dedication of Real Property for Additional Public Right-of-Way at 1866 Stanley Avenue

Summary: This resolution will accept the dedication of additional public right-of-way to be used for alley purposes at 1866 Stanley Avenue.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2011-01-5865 accepting the dedication of real property for additional public right-of-way for alley purposes at 1866 Stanley Avenue.

d. Schedule of Investments

Summary: The Schedule of Investments is a listing of all surplus funds invested for both the City and the Redevelopment Agency as of the date shown on the report.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

e. Warrant Register Dated January 18, 2011

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 January 18, 2011.

f. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of January 4, 2011.

Recommendation: Approve.

Member Hansen requested pulling item (b) from the Consent Calendar.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to approve the Consent Calendar item (a) and (c) through (f).

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

City Council discussed item (b) and directed questions to the City Attorney.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to approve Consent Calendar item (b).

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2011-01-5864:

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California, authorizing the City Attorney to send letters and file amicus briefs in third party litigation consistent with procedures provided herein.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

There was no public business from the floor.

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Hansen announced Southern California Edison is raising rates next year.

Council Member Hansen raised the issue of campaign signs and requested the City Manager go over the city policy.

City Manager read a letter addressed to campaign candidates from the Director of Community Development Department regarding the issue of campaign signs and where they may be posted.

Council Member Noll announced he will be taking the CAFR with him to Sacramento this week.

Vice Mayor Forester announced his frustration at reaching another impasse with city employees over such a short period but appreciates their dedication.

Mayor Wilson announced he participated in the Martin Luther King parade in Long Beach on Saturday and thanked the City of Long Beach for a wonderful event.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN, to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 1, 2011 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 WILSON
 VICE MAYOR FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL
 COUNCIL MEMBER WARD

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR WILSON adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Edward H.J. Wilson
Mayor

Attest:

Kathleen L. Pacheco
City Clerk