



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL**

March 2, 2011  
7:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on March 2, 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.

**RECONVENE – 7:03 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT:        NONE

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Members of Camp Fire USA, club San Wa Di O Ka, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney reported on closed session item. Directions were given for further negotiations 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 proclamation to volunteers for the American Red Cross declaring March, 2011 as American Red Cross Awareness Month.
- b. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to Camp Fire USA Long Beach in recognition of Camp Fire USA's 101<sup>st</sup> Birthday. Camp Fire presented the City Council with a birthday cake commemorating their 101<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

## **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

- a. Introduction of Zoning Ordinance 11-01, a Request to Amend Chapter 20.20, Allowing Animal Grooming/Daycare as a Permitted Use

City Clerk read the form of notice.

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

Mayor Wilson opened the Public Hearing at 7:17 p.m.

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

Neena Strichart, Signal Hill resident spoke in favor of the Ordinance.

Vivian Dominguez, co-owner of Bark! Bark! spoke in favor of the Ordinance.

There being no further testimony Mayor Wilson closed the Public Hearing 7:20 p.m.

Danielle Portillo, co-owner of Bark! Bark! answered questions from Council.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2011-03-5873 approving Negative Declaration 01/28/11(1), relative to Zoning Ordinance Amendment 11-01, a request to amend Signal Hill Municipal Code Chapter 20.20, entitled "Commercial Districts," to include 'Animal grooming/daycare' as a permitted use in the CG Commercial General, CI, Commercial Industrial, LI, Light Industrial, and GI, General Industrial, Zoning Districts.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2011-03-5873:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING NEGATIVE DECLARATION 01/28/11(1), RELATIVE TO ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 11-01, A REQUEST TO AMEND SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 20.20, ENTITLED "COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS," TO INCLUDE 'ANIMAL/GROOMING/DAYCARE' AS A PERMITTED USE IN THE CG COMMERCIAL GENERAL, CI, COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL, LI, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, AND GI, GENERAL INDUSTRIAL, ZONING DISTRICTS

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 COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to introduce Ordinance No. 2011-03-1422 approving Zoning Ordinance Amendment 11-01, a request to amend Signal Hill Municipal Code Chapter 20.20, entitled "Commercial Districts," to include 'Animal grooming/daycare' as a permitted use in the CG, Commercial General, CI, Commercial Industrial, LI, Light Industrial, and GI, General Industrial, Zoning Districts.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2011-03-1422:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZOA 11-01, A REQUEST TO AMEND SHMC CHAPTER 20.20, ENTITLED "COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS," TO INCLUDE 'ANIMAL GROOMING/DAYCARE' AS A PERMITTED USE IN THE CG, COMMERCIAL GENERAL, CI, COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL, LI, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, AND GI, GENERAL INDUSTRIAL, ZONING DISTRICTS

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

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

a. Warrant Register Dated March 2, 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 March 2, 2011.

b. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of February 15, 2011.

Recommendation: Approve.

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

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 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to approve item (b) of the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:       MAYOR WILSON  
              VICE MAYOR FORESTER  
              COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WARD

### **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

There was no public business from the floor.

### **COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS**

Council Member Hansen thanked residents for getting out to the polls and voting on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Council Member Hansen thanked staff for their patience and professionalism during the campaign.

Council Member Noll thanked Council Member Hansen and Vice Mayor Forester for running for re-election.

Council Member Noll announced they are a Council with full disclosure.

Vice Mayor Ward congratulated Council Member Hansen and Vice Mayor Forester on the results of the March 1<sup>st</sup> election and commented on the negative campaign.

Vice Mayor Forester thanked residents for voting and complimented staff.

Mayor Wilson announced his attendance at the grand opening of City Ventures, the new townhomes on Pacific Coast Highway.

Mayor Wilson reported on his attendance at a kickoff breakfast for Long Beach Unified School District Education Business Advisory Council.

Mayor Wilson commented on CDBG funds are expected to be down this year by as much as sixty two percent.

Mayor Wilson commented on the recent campaign and suggested documenting policy on using economic reserve so there is a better understanding of residents.

Mayor Wilson commented on the recent article in the Beachcomber newspaper.

Mayor Wilson announced the free Hazardous Waste event at Veterans Stadium on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Clark Avenue and Conant in Long Beach. Call (562) 989-7355 for additional information or visit our website: [www.cityofsignalhill.org](http://www.cityofsignalhill.org)

Mayor Wilson announced the Southern California Gas Co. is holding a Green Expo on April 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Southern California Gas Company will also hold an Energy Efficiency Expo on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Call the Gas Company for additional details.

Council Members commented on the recent passing of former Congressman Steve Horn and shared memories as well as thoughts and prayers for his wife, Nini.

City Manager requested an agenda item be added to discuss a date for conducting interviews for the position of Police Chief.

It was moved VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to discuss a date for conducting interviews for the position of Police Chief.

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

Council Members discussed possible dates for conducting interviews and agreed on the date of Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN, to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory of Steve Horn, former Congressman of the 38<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 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 8:01 p.m.

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Edward H.J. Wilson  
Mayor

Attest:

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Kathleen L. Pacheco  
City Clerk