



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL  
November 10, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held via video/teleconference on November 10, 2020 pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom.

**CALL TO ORDER – 6:02 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR COPELAND  
COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON  
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

**CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, to conduct City Manager evaluation.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

There was no public business from the floor.

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:03 P.M.**

Vice Mayor Hansen entered closed session at 6:05 p.m.

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:01 P.M.**

Mayor Copeland asked City Manager to provide meeting participation options.

City Manager provided meeting participation options.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR COPELAND  
VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON  
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

ABSENT: NONE

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Copeland led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mayor Copeland announced he will call upon Council Members, City Clerk, City Treasurer, and members of the public one-by-one for questions or comments and a roll call vote will be conducted for each agenda item for transparency and clarity.

## **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Manager reported there was no reportable action taken for closed session item (a).

## **CITY MANAGER COMMENTED ON PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURE**

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

There was no public business from the floor.

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Clerk made the following announcements:

Election results are still unofficial and Vote by Mail ballots will continue to be tallied through Friday, November 20 as long as ballots are postmarked by November 3. View current results by visiting the City's website or [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net). The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is expected to officially certify the election on November 30, 2020.

City Hall and non-essential City departments closed Wednesday, November 11 for Veteran's Day.

Mayor Copeland made the following announcements:

All-City Socially Distanced Mayor's Clean-up on Saturday, November 21. Send a photo of yourself to [comdev@cityofsignalhill.org](mailto:comdev@cityofsignalhill.org) to be featured at the next City Council meeting. Call (562) 989-7340 for more information.

Giving Thanks Virtual Story Time with Vanessa Knowles on Wednesday, November 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Call (562) 989-7323 for participation information.

Virtual Book Club on Thursday, November 19 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Books will be available for pick-up at the Library during curbside pickup hours. Call (562) 989-7323 for more information.

Brown Bag Food Distribution Program for low-income seniors (55 and over) and families in Signal Hill. Qualifying participants receive a supplementary bag of groceries every week. The program requires pre-authorization and space is limited. Call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Annual Tree Lighting on Wednesday, December 2 at 6:30 p.m. Join the City on Facebook Live to watch the Hilltop tower tree light up to kick off the holiday season. Call (562)989-7330 for more information.

Virtual Visit with Santa on Wednesday, December 2. Kids ages 12 and under can make an appointment to virtually chat with Santa. Call (562) 989-7330 to register.

Vice Mayor Hansen asked questions regarding the election results.

City Manager addressed the questions posed by Vice Mayor Hansen and City Council commented on the election results.

City Council commented and asked questions regarding the Mayor's Clean-up.

Community Development Director and City Manager addressed the questions posed by City Council.

City Clerk requested to volunteer for the virtual visit with Santa event.

City Manager addressed City Clerk's request.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Community Development Director Colleen Doan and Sustainable City Committee Community Members Bozena Jaworski and David Perzynski made a

presentation on the City's 2020 Beacon Platinum Level Spotlight Award for Sustainability Best Practices.

City Council commented and asked questions regarding the presentation.

Community Development Director addressed the questions posed by City Council.

- b. Community Services Director Aly Mancini made a presentation on the Halloween on the Hill Community Scavenger Hunt.

Mayor Copeland, City Clerk, and Community Services Director commented on the Halloween on the Hill Community Scavenger Hunt.

- c. Communications Specialist Cristina Bond made a presentation on Shop Signal Hill.

Council Member Woods asked if the presentation will be made available to the public.

Communications Specialist addressed the question posed by Council Member Woods.

- d. City Manager made a presentation about COVID-19-related community updates.

Council Member Wilson and City Clerk commented on the presentation and flu shots.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

- a. Second Reading of an Ordinance Amendment Amending Title 15.08 Revising Regulations for the Fire Code

City Clerk read the form of notice.

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

Council Member Wilson asked a question regarding the form of notice.

Community Development Director addressed the question posed by Council Member Wilson.

Mayor Copeland opened the public hearing at 7:51 p.m.

Mayor Copeland invited the public to comment on the agenda item.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Copeland closed the public hearing at 7:52 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2020-10-1514 amending Title 15.08 repealing the 2017 County of Los Angeles Fire Code and replacing it with the 2020 County of Los Angeles Fire Code by adopting by reference the 2019 California State Fire Code and portions of the 2018 International Fire Code.

Interim City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2020-10-1514:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 15.08 REPEALING THE 2017 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE CODE AND REPLACING IT WITH THE 2020 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2019 CALIFORNIA STATE FIRE CODE AND PORTIONS OF THE 2018 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE

The following vote resulted:

AYES:       MAYOR COPELAND  
              VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
              COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to authorize staff to submit the Ordinance to the Department of Housing and Community Development, Division of Codes and Standards, State Housing Law Program.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR COPELAND  
VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON  
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

#### **a. BKK Tolling Agreement – Fifth Amendment**

City Manager presented the staff report.

Mayor Copeland invited the public to comment on the agenda item.

There was no public comment.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES to authorize the City Manager to execute the Fifth Tolling Agreement between the BKK Working Group and the City of Signal Hill.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR COPELAND  
VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON  
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

a. Amendment to Contract Services Agreement with Bear Communications, Inc. for Radio Services

Summary: The City Council will consider Amendment No. 1 to the Contract Services Agreement with Bear Communications, Inc. (Bearcom) to provide police radio system maintenance and repair.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into Amendment No. 1 to the Contract Services Agreement with Bearcom extending the term through June 30, 2021 and increasing the total contract not-to-exceed amount by \$22,700 for service support to maintain and repair the police radio system.

b. Warrant Register Dated November 10, 2020

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 November 10, 2020.

c. Minutes of the Following Meetings

Regular Meetings of October 13, 2020 and October 27, 2020.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:       MAYOR COPELAND  
              VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
              COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE

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

Council Member Wilson wished his daughter Ashley Wilson a Happy Birthday and wished everyone a Happy Veteran's Day and a Happy Thanksgiving.

Council Member Jones wished everyone a Happy Veteran's Day and a Happy Thanksgiving; reminded the public to follow COVID-19 guidelines; and recognized students from the Youth Leadership Institute.

Vice Mayor Hansen commented and asked a question regarding Measure R and wished everyone a Happy Veteran's Day and a Happy Thanksgiving.

City Manager addressed the question posed by Vice Mayor Hansen.

Mayor Copeland wished everyone a Happy Veteran's Day and a Happy Thanksgiving.

City Clerk asked a question regarding the Brown Bag Food Distribution Program.

Community Services Director addressed the question posed by City Clerk.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER JONES to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. via video and teleconference. Instructions to participate in the meeting will be provided on the meeting agenda. There will be no regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council on Tuesday, November 24, 2020.

The following vote resulted:

AYES:       MAYOR COPELAND  
              VICE MAYOR HANSEN  
              COUNCIL MEMBER JONES  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE



MAYOR COPELAND adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

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ROBERT D. COPELAND  
MAYOR

Attest:

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CARMEN R. BROOKS  
CITY CLERK