



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

October 5, 2010
7:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on October 5, 2010.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

City Council unanimously agreed to add the following closed session item to the agenda:

- a. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956, to conduct Community Development Director evaluation.

RECONVENE – 7:05 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 item. A status report was given. No reportable action was taken.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Denise Damrow, representative of Friends of Signal Hill Cultural Arts announced the 4th Annual Show & Sell on Saturday, October 9th from 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Signal Hill Park Community Center at 1780 E. Hill Street.

Tim Snyder, Deputy Press Secretary for Star Parker announced upcoming debates on October 15th and 16th.

PRESENTATION(S)

Mayor Wilson introduced Josh Beard, recently promoted to the position of Senior Maintenance Worker in the Public Works Department for the City of Signal Hill.

Mayor Wilson introduced Ginny Hellerud, new Administrative Assistant in the Community Services Department for the City of Signal Hill.

Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to Matt Fisher, a member of California Association of School Health Educators in recognition of National Health Week.

ORDINANCE(S)

- a. Introduction of an Ordinance and a Resolution of Intent to Approve and Authorize an Amendment to the Contract Between the City Council and the California Public Employees' Retirement System Pertaining to the 3% @ 55 Retirement Formula for Local Police Members Hired After the Effective Date of the Ordinance

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2010-10-5846 declaring its intention to approve an amendment to the contract between the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System and the City Council of the City of Signal Hill.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2010-10-5846:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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 MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2010-10-1421 authorizing an amendment to the contract between the City Council of the City of Signal Hill and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2010-10-1421:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BWTWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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

a. City Tree Policy

City Manager presented the staff report and introduced the Director of Public Works who presented the City Street Tree Policy.

Mayor Wilson asked for anyone wishing to comment about the proposed City Street Policy to please come forward.

Ennis Neff, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the City Street Policy.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to approve the City Street Tree Policy with requested amendment to the approach section of the policy.

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. Ballot Propositions – 19, 22 & 26

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to oppose Proposition 19.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: VICE MAYOR FORESTER

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to support Proposition 22.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: MAYOR WILSON

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to oppose Proposition 26.

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

c. Second Meeting in December

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to cancel the City Council meeting on December 21, 2010 to the first meeting in January 2011 if there is a lack of City business.

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

d. Civil Service Commission Vacancy

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to authorize staff to open a recruitment and accept applications to fill the unexpired term of the vacant Commission seat, which ends May 31, 2013.

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

e. Los Angeles County City Selection Committee

Council discussed the meeting on Thursday, October 7, 2010. Due to prior commitments, no delegates are available to attend.

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Warrant Register Dated October 5, 2010

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 October 5, 2010.

b. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of September 21, 2010.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to approve item 'a' on 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 HANSEN and seconded by VICE MAYOR FORESTER to approve item 'b' on the Consent Calendar.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBER WARD

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Keaton King, Signal Hill resident thanked Council for their support of the pancake breakfast on Saturday, October 2nd hosted by the Signal Hill Historical Society.

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Hansen asked drivers to please slow down.

Council Member Noll expressed concern regarding the recent Los Angeles Times article regarding the Redevelopment Agency and Affordable Housing and thanked the City Council in the 1970's for creating the Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency.

Council Member Ward thanked the Historical Society and Community Services Department for the outstanding job with Breakfast at the Foothill Club.

Council Member Ward announced Drag Queen Bingo on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. for early birds and 1:30 p.m. at the Long Beach Gay & Lesbian Center.

Council Member Ward asked to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory of Mary Martinez, a long time volunteer for PRIDE and AIDS Walk.

Vice Mayor Forester also thanked the Historical Society and the Community Services Department for doing a wonderful job with Breakfast at the Foothill Club.

Mayor Wilson joined fellow Council Members in thanking the Historical Society and the Community Services Department for hosting Breakfast at the Foothill Club and declared Saturday, October 2nd Signal Hill Historical Day.

Mayor Wilson announced the CHP is issuing distraction tickets for cell phone use while driving.

Mayor Wilson reported on his attendance at the League of California Cities Annual Conference in San Diego September 15 – 18.

Mayor Wilson announced the Bulky Item Pick-up is scheduled for October 18 – 22. Please set large items out at the curb on your scheduled trash day. For residents in condos and apartments please call (562) 597-0608 to arrange for pick-up. For additional information, please call (562) 989-7351.

City Council thanked Barbara Munoz, retiring Public Works Director for the City of Signal Hill.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by VICE MAYOR FORESTER, to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory of Mary Martinez, to the next regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 19, 2010 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 9:12 p.m.

Edward H.J. Wilson
Mayor

Attest:

Kathleen L. Pacheco
City Clerk