



**MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL**

August 3, 2015

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on August 3, 2015.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:08 P.M.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: NONE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Forester led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

There was no public business from the floor.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

a. Award of Contract and Approval of Loan Agreement for Construction and Funding for Well No. 9 Treatment Plant

City Manager presented the staff report and introduced Suzanne Harrell, Representative from Harrell & Company Advisors, who provided details on the Loan Agreement.

City Manager introduced the Public Works Director who presented the staff report on the Well No. 9 project and the award of contract.

Mayor Forester asked Council Members if there were any questions for staff.

City Council asked staff questions and discussed the design-build bid process, criteria used to decide the contract award ranking, selection committee members, project timeline, and the timing requirement of the project funding against other available grant sources such as the Rivers and Mountain Conservancy (RMC) grant.

City Manager and Public Works Director addressed the questions posed by Council.

Public Works Director introduced City's Water Consultant Desi Alvarez who explained the State Grant project funding compliance requirements for the Well No. 9 project.

Mayor Forester asked if there were any public comments.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident came forward and thanked the City Manager for meeting with her and Maria Harris to address various Loan Agreement questions, and commented that the Water Department has additional projects that may utilize other available grant funding sources.

Ms. Harris came forward, expressed she was pleased to have met with the City Manager and the Finance Director on the loan interest rate, made additional suggestions for the Loan Agreement, and commented on a drought surcharge.

Council Member Wilson commented about interest rates, bonds, and the RMC Grant; and asked about drought surcharge, water fund reserves, bond covenant and the funding requirement regarding approval of the Loan Agreement.

Ms. Harrell came forward and addressed the questions regarding bond and surcharge posed by Council Member Wilson.

Mr. Alvarez additionally clarified for City Council the State Grant requirements regarding funding.

Assistant City Attorney provided options for the City Council to move forward on the award of contract and the Loan Agreement.

City Council discussed the conditions of the Loan Agreement and project time constraint in compliance with the State Grant requirement.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to authorize the City Manager to execute a Design-Build Agreement with J.R. Filanc Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$6,555,530 for the equipping and constructing of a nano-filtration treatment plant for Well No. 9, Project No. 635; Account No. 500-40-890, with a contingency of \$460,000.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by VICE MAYOR WOODS to authorize the City Manager to execute an Interfund Loan Agreement between the City's General Fund and Water Fund in an amount not to exceed \$2,750,000 at an interest rate offered by the Local Agency Investment Fund plus one percent. The interest rate will be recalculated each January and be paid annually on July 1st.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

City Manager commented that staff will look into the RMC Grant proposed by Council Member Wilson and its potential use by the City.

b. Award of Contract for the Cherry Avenue Widening Project, Phase 2, No. 786

City Manager introduced the Public Works Director who presented the staff report.

Mayor Forester asked Council Members if there were any questions for staff.

There were no questions for staff.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Cherry Avenue Widening Project, Phase 2, No. 786, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to All American Asphalt in the amount of \$239,239.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Council Member Wilson thanked the Public Works Director for the work completed on Cherry Avenue and voiced concern about potential traffic dangers on 19th Street.

Vice Mayor Woods asked about the project target completion date and outcome of the project location after phase completion.

Public Works Director addressed the questions and concerns made by Council Members.

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Purchase of One Replacement Police Patrol Vehicle

Summary: Staff is seeking authorization to purchase a new replacement Police Department patrol vehicle. Staff proposes to purchase this vehicle from Wondries Fleet Group under a Los Angeles County purchase order.

Recommendation: Authorize the Vehicle and Equipment Services Division to purchase one new 2015 Ford Utility Police Interceptor from Wondries Fleet Group under Los Angeles County Purchase Order SH 15320005-1.

b. Warrant Register Dated August 3, 2015

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 August 3, 2015.

c. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of July 21, 2015.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Wilson complimented Costco for donating food and water again during the recent second power outage in the City of Long Beach.

Council Member Noll asked the staff to check on the City's emergency power generators and bring back to Council status of their operable conditions and storage locations.

Vice Mayor Woods announced spaces are still available for the Signal Hill free Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training taking place on August 5, 15, and 22, 2015, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., attendee commitment is required for all three weekends, and additional classes will be available in the future.

City Council discussed the traffic congestion problem near the Costco Gas Station.

Mayor Forester thanked Sultans Car Club of Long Beach for sponsoring the recent Car Show, announced the City's Commercial and Multi-family recycling program, and provided contact of EDCO Disposal for a custom recycling collection plan and benefit analysis at www.edcodisposal.com or (562) 597-0608.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – 7:18 P.M.

City Council recessed to closed session at 7:18 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 pertaining to public employee appointment; title of position: Deputy City Manager.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public business from the floor.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Council met in closed session to conduct interviews for the position of Deputy City Manager. Direction was given to begin negotiations with a certain candidate.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER and COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to adjourn tonight’s meeting to a regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, August 18, 2015, 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 FORESTER
 VICE MAYOR WOODS
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL
 COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR FORESTER adjourned the meeting at 10:43 p.m.

Larry Forester
Mayor

Attest:

Robert D. Copeland
City Clerk