



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL
April 12, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on April 12, 2016.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), potential litigation in two undisclosed matters.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Employees' Association.

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 6:23 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:09 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney reported on closed session items. Status reports were given and no reportable actions were taken.

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

There was no public business from the floor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Woods led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Woods announced changes to the City Council Meeting agenda: the option of the Mayor to take agenda items out of order, and the addition of Community Announcements at the beginning of Council meetings.

Mayor Woods made the following City announcements: Open Mic Night at the Signal Hill Public Library Meeting Room on Thursday, April 14, 2016, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., pre-register at the Library; Free screening of the award winning documentary “Race to Nowhere” at the Signal Hill Public Library on Thursday, April 21, 2016, contact the Library at (562) 989-7323 for more information; Community Yard Sale sponsored by the Signal Hill Community Foundation will take place on Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., contact (562) 989-7330 for information or to participate as a vendor; and the Signal Hill Police Department will host an Open House on Saturday, May 14, 2016, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and an Unwanted Prescription Drug Drop Off on Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Mayor Woods asked for any public announcements or comments.

There were no public announcements or comments.

INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Mayor Woods introduced employees Van Mesa and Erik Buchanan, new Water Maintenance Workers with the Public Works Department.

Mr. Mesa thanked his supervisors for the employment opportunity and looks forward to serving the community.

PRESENTATIONS

- a. Dr. Hazel Wallace, Signal Hill Delegate for the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District introduced Levy Sun, Public Information Officer who gave a presentation about the new Zika virus infection in South, Central and North America, the mosquitoes spreading Zika and West Nile viruses in the United States, and functions of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control Services.

Council Member Noll asked Dr. Wallace how long she has been the City's representative of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District.

Dr. Wallace commented that she has been the Signal Hill Delegate for over 12 years.

Council Members complimented Mr. Sun on the informative presentation, asked about birds dying off in the past as result of West Nile Virus, Vector Control Bug Bus participating at City events such as Summer Concerts in the Park to promote public awareness, and identification of pest problems in City's oil cellars, storm drains and catch basins.

Mr. Sun addressed each question posed by Council Members.

Council Member Forester expressed appreciation for Dr. Wallace's friendship and her work promoting the anonymity HIV testing's in the region from decades ago.

- b. Mayor Woods announced the kick-off of the first in a series focusing on the Red Cross program *21 Weeks to Prepare*. The series is aimed at assisting individuals and families prepare for an emergency. Each City Council meeting will focus on items to add to one's emergency supply kit which after 21 meetings the kit will be complete.

Mayor Woods introduced the Community Services Director who presented the staff report.

Mayor Woods asked Council Members if there were any questions of staff.

There were no questions for staff.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. Green City Report – Annual Progress Report

City Manager introduced Community Development Director who presented the staff report

Mayor Woods asked Council Members if there were any questions of staff.

Council Member Forester asked about the number of members in the Sustainable City Committee.

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

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Woods expressed appreciation of the Sustainable City Committee members and complimented staff on the thoroughness of the staff report.

It was moved by Council Member Noll and seconded by Council Member Forester to receive and file the report.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

b. Approval of Lease Agreement, Auto Center Freeway Sign – 3100 California Avenue

City Manager introduced the Economic Development Manager who presented the staff report.

City Attorney commented on the extensive amount time spent negotiating and the partnership with Bob Davis, Signal Hill Auto Center Association President, and Brad Willingham, Signal Hill Auto Center Association Secretary/Treasurer.

Mr. Willingham came forward and expressed appreciation of the Council, the City Attorney, and staff for bringing this project to fruition.

Mayor Woods asked Council Members if there were any questions of staff.

Council Member Forester asked about the use of the freeway sign for emergency City announcements.

City Attorney addressed the question posed by Council Member Forester.

Carol Yochum, Signal Hill resident came forward to express thanks and recognition regarding the lease agreement negotiations.

It was moved by Council Member Noll and seconded by Council Member Forester to approve Lease Agreement for the Auto Center Freeway Sign between the City of Signal Hill and the Signal Hill Auto Center Association.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

c. Award of Contract for Integrated Library Software System with Yearly Maintenance and Support Services with Biblionix, LLC

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

Mayor Woods asked Council Members if there were any questions of staff.

Council Members asked about the possibility of operating costs being funded by bond funds, the new system's compatibility for the new Library, and the aging of past due Library fines and fees.

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

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

Sebastian Echeverry, Signal Tribune reporter, came forward and asked clarifying questions about the staff report.

Community Services Director addressed the questions posed by Mr. Echeverry.

Vice Mayor Hansen complimented staff for the thorough staff report.

Community Services Director complimented the Community Services Manager and the City Librarian for their contributions to the staff report.

It was moved by Council Member Forester and seconded by Council Member Noll to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement between the City of Signal Hill and Biblionix, LLC, for a three year term subject to City Attorney approval as to form.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

d. Council Appointments to Various Organizations

City Manager presented the staff report and recommended adding the sustainable City Committee to the list of organizations.

City Council discussed and confirmed the various appointments.

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

There was no public comment.

It was moved by Council Member Forester and seconded by Council Member Noll to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2016-04-6161 amending Resolution No. 2015-04-6123, confirming the appointment of delegates and alternates as official representatives of the City with the addition of the Sustainable City Committee.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2016-04-6161:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2015-04-6123, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES AS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Resolution Designating a Handicapped Parking Space Adjacent to 2230 Cerritos Avenue

Summary: This resolution will designate a handicapped parking space adjacent to 2230 Cerritos Avenue.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2016-04-6162 designating a handicapped parking space adjacent to 2230 Cerritos Avenue for the exclusive use of disabled persons.

b. Execution of "Notice to Lessor" for Long Beach Eurocars, LLC.

Summary: Council will consider authorizing the City Manager to sign a Notice to Lessor as it relates to the City's sublease with Mercedes Benz for property located at 2300 E. Spring Street.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to sign the Notice to Lessor in regards to the sublease with Long Beach Euro Cars, LLC (a.k.a. Mercedes Benz).

c. Contract Services Agreement with Teri Black & Company for Executive Recruitment Services

Summary: The City Council will consider retaining the services of Teri Black & Company to provide executive recruitment services for the recruitment of the vacant Deputy City Manager position.

Recommendations: 1. Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Teri Black & Company, LLC to provide executive recruitment services in the amount of \$27,750 in a form approved by the City Attorney. 2. Approve a budget adjustment transferring \$27,750 from Salaries & Wages – Full Time (Account No. 100-44-110) to Contract Services – General (Account No. 100-44-400).

d. Warrant Register Dated April 12, 2016

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 April 12, 2016.

e. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of March 22, 2016.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Wilson reported on his attendance at the recent Rock for Vets Pancake Breakfast, recounted the story of a family's appreciation for the Ronald McDonald House, congratulated Applebee's for hosting non-profit organizations' events for the community, and asked about the street striping near the future Browning High School location.

City Manager addressed the question about street striping near the Browning High School.

Council Member Forester asked staff to follow up on the traffic plan from the Long Beach Unified School District for the Browning High School.

Council Member Forester congratulated Southern California Association of Governments Regional Council for their recent adoption of the 2016 Regional Transportation Plan/ Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) plan.

Council Member Noll asked staff to schedule a follow up Community Workshop and work with the Long Beach Unified School District for a Safety Grant regarding traffic issues near the future Browning High School; and thanked the Community Services Department for organizing the retirement social for Susan Hurd, long time employee of the City of Signal Hill.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 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 WOODS
 VICE MAYOR HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL
 COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR WOODS adjourned the meeting at 8:22 p.m.

Lori Y. Woods
Mayor

Attest:

Robert D. Copeland
City Clerk