



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL  
June 14, 2016**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on June 14, 2016.

**CALL TO ORDER – 7:11 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Woods led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Woods and Council Member Forester requested a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the Orlando shooting.

Vice Mayor Hansen entered the Council Chamber at 7:12 p.m.

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

Matt Simmons, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and expressed concern regarding Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System's (LA-RICS) plan to modify the antenna tower and submitted to the City Clerk a series of signed petitions.

City Manager and Police Chief addressed Mr. Simmons concerns and commented that staff is in communication with LA-RICS.

Council Members requested staff to report back to Council the result of communications with LA-RICS.

Terry Rogers, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and commented on the

community outreach efforts regarding the commemorative bricks language policy.

Tom Benson, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and spoke on the recent passing of Bob Mendoza, President of the Signal Hill Rotary Club, and Mr. Mendoza's contributions to the community.

Nancy Sciortino, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and commented on the LA-RICS antenna tower and the notification process made by LA-RICS.

Grant Lauer, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and reiterated comments made by Mr. Simmons regarding the LA-RICS antenna tower.

Vice Mayor Hansen left the Council Chamber at 7:21 p.m.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- a. Mayor Lori Woods introduced the fifth week's presentation 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.

Mayor Woods announced three ways to obtain the emergency preparedness shopping list - by visiting the City website or the Red Cross website at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org), or by texting "21 Weeks" to (562) 477-1287; and introduced the Community Services Director who presented a PowerPoint on the 21 Weeks to Prepare program.

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Vice Mayor Hansen entered the Council Chamber at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Woods made the following announcements:

Movies in the Park kick off at the Signal Hill Park, "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" will be shown on Monday, June 20, 2016, and "The Good Dinosaur" will be shown on Monday, August 15, 2016; Movie and popcorn are free, bring your own lawn chairs, blankets, and warm clothes. Activities start at 6:30 p.m. and movies begin at dusk. Contact (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Library Paint Night will take place on Wednesday, June 22, 2016, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Signal Hill Community Center/Temporary Library, all supplies will be provided, and register by calling (562) 989-7323.

Council Member Noll commented about the new temporary Signal Hill Library.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- a. Public Hearing – Resolution Adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-Basin 4 Stormwater Capture Facility

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

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

Council Member Forester commented on the Mitigated Negative Declaration and design build process, and spoke in favor of the project and its net benefits.

Public Works Director addressed the comments made by Council Member Forester.

Mayor Woods commented on the City's dedication to actively clean up storm water.

Public Works Director addressed the comments made by Mayor Woods.

Tim Joyce, Project Manager of Tetra Tech came forward to introduce himself and the company.

Desi Alvarez, Project Manager for the Los Cerritos Channel complimented City Council and the City as leaders in cleaning up storm water and commented on the City receiving grant funding.

City Clerk read the form of notice.

Mayor Woods opened the public hearing at 7:50 p.m.

Mayor Woods invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposed to the Mitigated Negative Declaration to come forward.

Sebastian Echeverry, representative of the Signal Tribune came forward and asked about TMDL.

Public Works Director and Council Member Forester defined TMDL as Total Maximum Daily Load and provided explanations of TMDL.

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

Vice Mayor Hansen asked about TMDL and the effects in relation to the environment.

Public Works Director addressed the question posed by Vice Mayor Hansen.

Council Member Wilson asked about the criteria used for awarding the design build procurement.

Public Works Director addressed the question posed by Council Member Wilson.

Council Member Forester commented on the design build process.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to 1) Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2016-6170 adopting Mitigated Negative Declaration 04/15/16(1), relative to the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-Basin 4 Stormwater Capture Facility Project; and 2) Approve the Design-Build Request for Proposal for the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-Basin 4 Stormwater Capture Facility – Phase 1.

Assistant City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2016-06-6170:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION 04/15/16(1), RELATIVE TO THE LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL SUB-BASIN 4 STORMWATER CAPTURE FACILITY PROJECT

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

## **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

### a. FY 2016-2017 Agreement for Children's Health Services

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

Community Services Director introduced Diane Nichols of Children's Clinic and Christina Leonard of Miller's Children Hospital.

Ms. Nichols and Ms. Leonard each thanked City Council members for their support and explained how the funding supports the City residents with medical needs.

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

Council Member Wilson asked about how the Affordable Care Act effected the need and use for fundings.

Ms. Nichols and Ms. Leonard addressed the question posed by Council Member Wilson.

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: 1) Authorize the City Manager to execute a Contract Services Agreement between the City and Miller Children's and Women's Hospital, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000, in a form approved by the City Attorney; and 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute a Contract Services Agreement between the City and The Children's Clinic, in an amount not to exceed \$5,000, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

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. Review of City Council and Commission Stipends

City Manager presented the staff report.

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

City Council discussed with City Manager the Council compensation survey and asked about community population in relation to establishing the stipends.

Council Member Wilson asked about establishing a stipend increase schedule.

City Manager commented staff will consult with the City Attorney and then addressed the question posed by Council Member Wilson.

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

There was no public comment.

City Treasurer asked about compensation for the City Treasurer and City Clerk.

City Manager commented staff will return to Council to address the question posed by the City Treasurer.

Council Members discussed with City Manager and Assistant City Attorney amendment options of stipends for City Council, Commissioners, City Treasurer and City Clerk.

City Council directed staff to move Commissioners to a per meeting stipend of \$125 per meeting for the Planning Commission, \$65 per meeting for both the Parks and Recreation and Civil Service Commissioners; move City Council stipend to increase by 35%; and bring back to Council stipend information for the City Treasurer and the City Clerk.

c. Resolution Creating the Position of Deputy Administrative Services Officer / Finance Director

City Manager presented the staff report.

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

Council Wilson asked about completion time estimates for Finance Department projects listed in the staff report.

Finance Director provided time estimates for each project.

City Council discussed the time estimates provided and staff's recommendation.

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

Tom Benson, Signal Hill resident came forward and commented in favor of the staff recommendation to establish the position of Deputy Administrative Services Officer/Finance Director.

Council Member Wilson spoke against staff's recommendation.

City Council discussed the staff report and the proposed recommendation.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2016-06-6171 amending Resolution No. 2015-11-6147, establishing the position of Deputy Administrative Services Officer/Finance Director.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE

City Manager addressed City Council with a correction made on the proposed Resolution that was presented with the staff report.

Council Member Noll left the Council Chamber at 8:45 p.m.

d. Contract Services Agreement to Provide Engineering Services for the Planning and Design of Stormwater Quality Compliance Projects

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

Council Member Noll returned to the Council Chamber at 8:49 p.m.

City Council asked questions and discussed with staff the criteria used for the request for proposals processes.

City Manager addressed Council's concerns and suggested staff seek City Council authorization to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) including criteria used to evaluate proposals.

Public Works Director commented on the development process of the RFP.

City Council provided staff directions to submit to City Council for approval issuance of RFP's including criteria to be used for each project going forward.

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

There was no public comment.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON to Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement with Civil Source, Inc., in a form approved by the City Attorney, to provide professional civil engineering services and expertise in the planning and design of stormwater quality compliance projects, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$162,850.

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

e. Spring Street Bicycle Lane Gap Closure Project; Active Transportation Program (ATP) - Cycle 3 Application

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

Council Member Noll asked staff to submit to the Police Chief this staff report for review.

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

City Council asked clarification questions about the grant for the Active Transportation Program, location of the proposed project, storm filtration, related landscape improvements, and specific project details.

Public Works Director addressed each question posed by Council Members.

City Manager commented on the Active Transportation Program and potential access to future grants.

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

Neena Strichart, Signal Hill resident asked about the possibility of adding bus routes on Spring Street.

City Manager and Council Member Forester addressed Ms. Strichart's question and commented that staff has been in communication with Long Beach Transit regarding this request.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2016-06-6172 authorizing the submittal of an application requesting Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 3 funding for the Spring Street Bicycle Lane Gap Closure Project (FY 2019-20).



Assistant City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2016-06-6172:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION REQUESTING ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (ATP) CYCLE 3 FUNDING FOR THE SPRING STREET BICYCLE LANE GAP CLOSURE PROJECT (FY 2019-20)

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 Declaring Final Acceptance of the Cherry Avenue Widening Project, Phase 2, No. 786

Summary: All American Asphalt has completed the Cherry Avenue Widening Project, Phase 2, No. 786, to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. Staff is recommending final acceptance of the work performed by All American Asphalt.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2016-06-6173 declaring work to be completed in conformance with the plans and specifications for the Cherry Avenue Widening Project, Phase 2, No. 786 in the City of Signal Hill, in accordance with the contract entered into between All American Asphalt and the City of Signal Hill.

b. FY 2016-2017 Contract Agreements for Proposition A Transportation Programs

Summary: Annually, the City receives Proposition A revenues to be utilized for transportation related programs. An agreement has been prepared for Administrative Services Cooperative to provide Dial-A-Taxi services.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute an Agreement between the City and Administrative Services Cooperative in the amount of \$15,000 to provide Dial-A-Taxi services, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

c. Resolution Amending Records Retention Schedules

Summary: The City's 2015 Records Retention process has been completed. Five changes have been submitted by the City Clerk to the Records Retention Schedule, which have been approved by the City Attorney and now requires City Council approval. This action would amend the records retention schedules of the Community Development, Community Services and Finance Department.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2016-06-6174 amending the City's Records Retention Schedule previously adopted by Resolution No. 2015-06-6130, and repealing all prior resolutions.

d. Warrant Register Dated June 14, 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 June 14, 2016.

e. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of May 24, 2016.

Adjourned Regular Meeting of May 31, 2016

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON 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 commented on the end of school year of the Long Beach Unified School District, requested for tonight's meeting be adjourned in memory of Bob Mendoza, and spoke about Mr. Mendoza's passion for the City as the

President of the Rotary Club.

Council Member Noll concurred with Council Member Wilson and commented about his last meeting with Mr. Mendoza. He asked the City Manager about the traffic signal for the future Browning High School site and the status of the grant for the expansion of the View Park.

City Manager addressed the questions posed by Council Member Noll.

Council Member Forester asked Community Services Director to come forward and provide an overview of the part-time staff training he witnessed at the Discovery Well Park, and reported on his recent attendance at the Southern California Council of Governments' 27th Annual Demographic Workshop and spoke about his participation in the Long Beach Gay Pride Parade.

Community Services Director addressed Council and spoke about staff training at Discovery Well Park.

Mayor Woods commented on the recent passing of Bob Mendoza with accounts about his personal accomplishments and contributions to the City, and provided information for the memorial service taking place on Saturday, June 25, 2016, 11:00 a.m. at the Long Beach Covenant Presbyterian Church.

Council Member Noll recalled Mr. Mendoza's suggestion for the future Library and commented he will be remembered and missed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory of Bob Mendoza, long time Signal Hill resident to the next regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, June 28, 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 9:21 p.m.

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Lori Y. Woods  
Mayor

Attest:

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Robert D. Copeland  
City Clerk