



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

August 9, 2016

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on August 9, 2016.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:07 P.M.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN (EXCUSED ABSENCE)

CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney requested to add a closed session item for discussion subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

- c. A closed session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4), potential initiation of litigation in an undisclosed matter.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to add closed session item (c).

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR WOODS
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

ABSTAIN: NONE

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Employees' Association.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), potential exposure to litigation in an undisclosed matter.
- c. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4), potential initiation of litigation in an undisclosed matter.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public business from the floor.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:08 P.M.

Council Member Wilson entered closed session at 6:14 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:03 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Woods led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney reported on closed session items. Status report was given for item (a) and directions were given for further negotiation. Items (b) and (c) were discussed, status reports were given, and no reportable actions were taken.

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

Tom Benson, Signal Hill Rotary Club representative announced their annual Backpack Program, asked for volunteers to sign up and help assemble back to school supply bags for students at the Signal Hill Police Department, August 15, 2016 – August 30, 2016, and contact the Signal Hill Rotary Club for sign up information at (562) 424-0018.

Chris Wilson, resident of Signal Hill invited City Council Members and residents to attend the Signal Hill North Neighborhood Association meeting on Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 7 p.m. where Richard Johnson, Signal Hill Police Department Emergency Operations Coordinator, will make a Map Your Neighborhood presentation.

Council Member Forester reported that Vice Mayor is absent and recovering at home from her medical procedure.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Woods made the following announcements:

Congressman Alan Lowenthal invites residents to a Community Coffee event on Saturday, August 13, 2016, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. in the Signal Hill Council Chamber. Please RSVP by calling (562) 436-3828.

Signal Hill Chamber of Commerce Mixer will be hosted at the Signal Hill Police Department with food, door prizes and raffle on Thursday, August 11, 2016 from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

The final concert of Concerts in the Park will be on Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at Signal Hill park featuring a special pre-concert performance at 5:30 p.m. by the Rock for Vets band and followed by the top 40 band, Wildfire, taking place at 6:30 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to wear patriotic colors of red, white and blue.

Movies in the Park featuring *The Good Dinosaur* will take place at Signal Hill Park on Monday, August 15, 2016, where activities start at 6:30 p.m. and the movie begins at dusk. Please call (562) 989-7330 for more information.

Signal Hill Library is hosting an informal Antique Appraisals event with certified Master Appraiser Barbara Pickett on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., limited to two items per person (no weapons including knives), and call to register at (562) 989-7323.

INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Mayor Woods and Police Chief Langston introduced new Police Officers Anthony Pacileo and Cody McNutt with the Signal Hill Police Department.

Officer Pacileo expressed appreciation and introduced family members and friends in the audience.

Officer McNutt expressed appreciation and Chief Langston pinned the Officer's badge on him as family members were unable to attend the introduction this evening.

Officers Pacileo and McNutt recited the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics for the audience.

PRESENTATIONS

- a. Mayor Woods presented a proclamation to Efrain Ramirez, Vice President and General Manager of EDCO Corporation in recognition of their Golden Anniversary.

Mr. Ramirez thanked City Council and expressed pride in the partnership EDCO has established with the City.

- b. Mayor Lori Woods introduced the ninth 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. Each City Council meeting will focus on items to add to your emergency supply kit and after 21 meetings your kit will be complete.

Community Services Director presented the week's shopping list for the 21 Weeks to Prepare program and advised the Community Services Department has assembled emergency kits available for purchase by contacting (562) 989-7330.

Mayor Woods announced the City's Map Your Neighborhood, disaster ready and emergency preparedness program is in the process of being rolled out throughout the City. A free booklet providing useful information is available to residents at the Community Services Department and by contacting (562) 989-7330.

- c. Police Captain made a presentation on Rules of the Road for Cyclists and Pedestrians.

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

Council Member Forester ask questions about Rules of the Road as various cities transition to active transportation, bicyclists' observation of stop signs on the City's roads leading to the hill top, and asked staff to follow up with City volunteers handing out information on Rules of the Road.

Police Captain addressed the questions posed by Council Member Forester.

Council Member Wilson asked about laws pertaining to yielding to pedestrians crossing the street at intersections.

Police Captain addressed the question posed by Council Member Wilson.

City Council discussed and commented about Rules of the Road and thanked Police Captain for the presentation.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. Award of Contract for the Signal Hill Library Demolition Project, No. 118

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

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

Council Member Forester asked if precautions will be taken for dust control during the demolition.

Deputy Public Works Director addressed the question posed by Council Member Forester.

Council Member Wilson asked if contingencies were built into the contract and asked staff to ensure the project stay on schedule and on budget.

City Manager and Deputy Public Works Director addressed the question posed by Council Member Wilson and confirmed staff will ensure the project stay on schedule and budget.

Mayor Woods asked for any public comments.

Sabastian Echeverry, Signal Tribune reporter came forward and asked for clarification on the start date of project demolition.

Deputy Public Works Director addressed the question posed by Mr. Echeverry.

Mayor Woods asked if any representatives from 5M Contracting, Inc. were present at the meeting.

Deputy Public Works Director addressed the question posed by Mayor Woods.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Signal Hill Library Demolition Project, No. 118 to 5M Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$322,000, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

- b. Award of Contract for Construction of the Los Cerritos Channel Sub-Basin 4 Stormwater Capture Facility-Phase 1

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 asked about diversion facilities and their maximum stormwater capture capabilities relative to future modular expansions.

Public Works Director introduced Desi Alvarez, Project Manager from MCM Management Company who addressed the questions posed by Council Member Forester.

Public Works Director introduced the technical team present at the meeting: Tim Joyce from Tetra Tech, Brian Rickey and Dave Sorem from Mike Bubalo Construction Company Inc.

Council Member Wilson asked about the contract amount relative to grant funding, construction schedule deadline requirements, and cost of all phases of the project.

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

Council Member Noll complimented staff for the complete and easy to comprehend staff report.

Mayor Woods asked questions about large debris affecting the diversion facilities, emergency precautions, geo-technical assessments done on the project site, and future module construction costs related to this proposed contract amount.

Public Works Director addressed the questions posed by Mayor Woods.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to authorize the City Manager to execute a Design-Build Agreement with Mike Bubalo Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$10,000,000 to design, obtain permits, procure, construct, and provide start-up and commissioning of the stormwater capture facility.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

Council Member Forester expressed appreciations to staff for the rating system used and the entities the Department selected to work with.

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Authorization to Purchase Council Chamber Audio and Presentation System Equipment

Summary: The City received three proposals to replace outdated audio and presentation system equipment used during meetings held in the City Council Chamber. Staff is seeking authorization to purchase the equipment from VMI, Inc.

Recommendation: Authorize staff to purchase Council Chamber Audio and Presentation System equipment from VMI, Inc. in the amount of \$29,265.38.

b. Warrant Register Dated August 9, 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 August 9, 2016.

c. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of July 26, 2016.

Recommendation: Approve.

Council Member Forester requested pulling consent calendar item (a).

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON to approve the consent calendar items (b) and (c).

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

a. Authorization to Purchase Council Chamber Audio and Presentation System Equipment

City Manager presented the staff report.

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 approve consent calendar item (a).

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Noll thanked Community Services Department for a successful Summer Concerts in the Park series and commented on the dying trees managed by Signal Hill Petroleum along Walnut Avenue near Willow Street.

Council Member Forester reported on his recent boat trip with the Los Angeles County Sanitation District marine vessel along with four staff members, and hopes additional interested staff members would attend with him in the future; and thanked the Sultan Car Club for sponsoring the recent car show at Signal Hill Park.

Mayor Woods announced the upcoming Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) taking place later in September and October, contact Richard Johnson, Police Department Emergency Operations Coordinator for more information (562) 989-7239; and asked Police Captain if seats are still available.

Police Captain addressed Mayor Woods and advised he will follow up with that information.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, August 23, 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
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL
 COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: VICE MAYOR HANSEN

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR WOODS adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Lori Y. Woods
Mayor

Attest:

Robert D. Copeland
City Clerk