



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL  
February 28, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on February 28, 2017.

**CALL TO ORDER – 6:04 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

**CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), potential exposure to 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 6:06 P.M.**

Council Member Wilson entered closed session at 6:12 p.m.

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:02 P.M.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Woods led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney reported on closed session item. Item was discussed and no reportable action was taken.

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

Sylvia Hopper, representative of the Signal Hill Historical Society, thanked sponsors and volunteers for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Casino Night fundraiser that was held on Friday, February 24 at the Petroleum Club.

Ms. Hopper, representative of the Friends of the Signal Hill Library, announced that they are now accepting books and volunteers for the program. Please call (562) 989-7323 for more information.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident, made a request and submitted a petition to install a passive speed control system on Junipero Avenue between E. 21<sup>st</sup> Street and Pacific Coast Highway.

Ms. Harris commented on the traffic conditions on Junipero Avenue during commute hours.

Don Clark, Signal Hill resident, addressed City Council, commented on the traffic conditions, and spoke in support of the request to install a passive speed control system.

Richard Harris, Signal Hill resident, spoke in favor of a speed control system.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident commented on the traffic conditions.

Ms. Churchill commented on a meeting held with Ms. Harris and the community organizers of the Las Brisas community housing regarding safety concerns at Las Brisas after security hours.

Ms. Churchill commented on the polling precinct assigned to the Las Brisas neighborhood and presented a series of questions regarding the upcoming Signal Hill General Municipal Election.

Ms. Churchill commented on trash issues and recommended new methods of reporting.

Terry Rogers, Signal Hill resident, thanked Public Works Department for their assistance in the recent rainstorm events.

Keir Jones, Signal Hill resident, acknowledged the Boy Scouts in attendance.

Mayor Woods noted that all concerns have been heard and will be addressed.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor's Clean-Up on Saturday, March 11 from 9-11:00 a.m. Meet at Kluger Architects parking lot at 1855 Coronado Avenue to clean-up the southeast neighborhood. Please call (562) 989-7340 for additional information.

Movie Night at the Library on Wednesday, March 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library to view the movie, *Hoosiers*. Please call (562) 989-7323 or visit the Library for more information.

Mayor's Reception on Tuesday, March 21 at 8:00 p.m. or at conclusion of the City Council meeting at the Alpert Community Center. Please RSVP by calling (562) 989-7330.

Vote at the Signal Hill Municipal Election on Tuesday, March 7, 2017. Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. Your polling location is listed on your sample ballot or call the City Clerk's office (562) 989-7305.

## **INTRODUCTION**

- a. Mayor Woods introduced Ryan Agbayani, the new Assistant Planner in the Community Development Department.

Ryan thanked City Council and looks forward to serving the Signal Hill community.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Woods pulled Presentation item (b) out of order.

- b. Mayor Woods presented a proclamation to Midori Sanchez, representative for Friends of Long Beach Animals in recognition of "World Spay Day".

Ms. Sanchez thanked the City for the recognition of "World Spay Day" and provided some history.

Mayor Woods commented on the new facility at the Long Beach Animal Shelter.

- a. Mayor Woods introduced Meredith Berkson, representative for People Assisting the Homeless (PATH), who gave a presentation regarding homeless resources and Measure H, the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative.

Shannon Parker, representative of City of Long Beach, spoke about outreach efforts in Signal Hill.

Council Member Forester asked about collaboration with Urban Community Outreach.

Ms. Berkson addressed the question posed by Council Member Forester.

City Manager thanked the representatives for providing valuable resources for the City.

Ms. Berkson thanked the Police Department, City Manager, and City staff for partnership in addressing homelessness.

Mayor Woods commented on Police Department's community policing and resources.

- c. Mayor Woods introduced Deputy City Clerk who made a presentation regarding the upcoming Signal Hill General Municipal Election.

Deputy City Clerk addressed questions posed by Ms. Churchill during public business from the floor.

Council Member Noll asked for the definition of a provisional ballot.

Deputy City Clerk addressed the question posed by Council Member Noll.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident, asked about conditional voter registration procedures.

Deputy City Clerk addressed the question posed by Ms. Harris.

Vice Mayor Hansen asked for clarification on provisional ballots.

Deputy City Clerk and City Attorney clarified Vice Mayor Hansen's question.

Ms. Harris asked additional questions about voting procedures.

Deputy City Clerk addressed the questions posed by Ms. Harris.

Mayor Woods confirmed the voting procedures.

Council Member Wilson asked when the provisional ballots will be verified by the Los Angeles County.

Deputy City Clerk addressed the question posed by Council Member Wilson.

## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

- a. Auto Body Repair Use

City Manager indicated that this report was prepared in response to the concerns raised by the owner of Prestige Auto Body, Mr. Abol, at the February 14, 2017, City Council meeting and introduced Community Development Director who presented the staff report.

Council Member Noll and Council Member Wilson asked about the Nonconforming Uses Ordinance.

Community Development Director and City Attorney addressed the questions posed by Council Member Noll and Council Member Wilson.

Mayor Woods invited the public to comment on the agenda item.

Carol Churchill spoke on behalf of Mr. Abol regarding relocation options of his business.

There were no additional public comments.

Mayor Woods clarified with the Community Development Director staff's recommendation to the City Council.

City Council discussed a zoning ordinance amendment, Auto Center accessory uses, and nonconforming facilities.

Community Development Director and City Attorney addressed the questions posed by City Council.

Council Member Wilson commented on the auto body repair industry.

City Attorney summarized the agenda item and Council discussion, and provided guidance to the Council.

Council Member Noll asked about the recently approved auto body shop at Rose Avenue and E. 28<sup>th</sup> Street.

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

Vice Mayor Hansen spoke in opposition of initiating a zoning ordinance amendment.

Mayor Woods noted that the Council recognizes Mr. Abol's concerns.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL 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

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. Approval of Agreement with Los Angeles County for Acquisition of Aerial Imagery of Signal Hill

Summary: City Council will consider entering into an agreement with the County of Los Angeles to receive updated aerial imagery of Signal Hill.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Los Angeles County for the Los Angeles Region Imagery Acquisition Consortium 5 (LAR-IAC5) Program in the amount of \$17,640, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

- b. Schedule of Investments

Summary: The Schedule of Investments is a listing of all surplus funds invested for both the City and the Successor Agency of the former Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency as of the date shown on the report.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

- c. Warrant Register Dated February 28, 2017

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 February 28, 2017.

- d. Minutes of the Following Meeting

Regular Meeting of February 14, 2017.

Recommendation: Approve.

Mayor Woods requested pulling Consent Calendar item (c) and Council Member Wilson requested pulling Consent Calendar item (a).

It was moved by VICE MAYOR HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to approve Consent Calendar items (b) and (d).

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

a. Approval of Agreement with Los Angeles County for Acquisition of Aerial Imagery of Signal Hill

Council Member Wilson asked staff to provide a summary of the Agreement.

City Manager provided a summary of the Agreement.

City Council commented on aerial imagery technology and discussed the agreement.

Mayor Woods asked for clarification on what the agreement would include.

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

Council Member Wilson commented on Gateway Cities use of the aerial imageries.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Los Angeles County for the Los Angeles Region Imagery Acquisition Consortium 5 (LAR-IAC5) Program in the amount of \$17,640, 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

c. Warrant Register Dated February 28, 2017

Mayor Woods noted a correction made on the Warrant Register.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to authorize payment of Warrant Register dated February 28, 2017.

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 and Council Member Noll encouraged everyone to vote on Tuesday, March 7, 2017.

Council Member Noll thanked the Public Works Department for maintaining the City streets.

Council Member Forester stressed the importance of the right to vote and encouraged everyone to vote.

Vice Mayor Hansen invited the Chief of Police to speak on the Police Department's response to a noise complaint over the past weekend.



The Chief of Police provided a report in response to Vice Mayor Hansen's request.

Vice Mayor Hansen commended the Police Department's response.

Council Member Noll thanked the Chief of Police for providing an update and keeping the public informed.

Vice Mayor Hansen encouraged everyone to vote.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory of Irene Galvan, Long Beach business owner of National Dry Cleaners, to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 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 7:50 p.m.

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Lori Y. Woods  
Mayor

Attest:

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Robert D. Copeland  
City Clerk