



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL
April 3, 2012**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on April 3, 2012.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: VICE MAYOR NOLL
COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
COUNCIL MEMBER WARD

ABSENT: MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, real property negotiations, regarding real property located at 3100 California Avenue.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, real property located at 630-798 E. Spring Street, 800-998 E. Spring Street, 631-799 E. Canton Street, 801-999 E. Canton Street, 630-798 E. Canton Street, 800-998 E. Canton Street, 631-799 E. 29th Street and 801-999 E. 29th Street.
- c. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8, real property negotiations, regarding real property located at 3366 E. Willow Street.
- d. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(3)(A), potential litigation in two undisclosed matters.

Mayor Hansen entered Council Chamber at 6:04 p.m.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding closed session agenda item (b), and asked about the subject for discussion. City Attorney addressed the question posed by Ms. Harris.

MAYOR HANSEN RECESSED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:07 p.m.

Council Member Wilson entered closed session at 6:13 p.m.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING CITY COUNCIL – 7:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hansen led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

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

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

There was no public business from the floor.

PRESENTATION(S)

- a. Mayor Hansen introduced and Chief Langston swore in Nicholas Butler and DeAngelo Gossett, new Police Officers for the Signal Hill Police Department.
- b. Mayor Hansen presented the 1st Quarter Sustainability Award to City Ventures, represented by Ben Besley and Natasha Zabaneh for designing energy efficient homes within the Signal Hill Collection at Pacific Coast Highway and Orizaba Avenue.
- c. Mayor Hansen presented a proclamation to the Signal Hill Library staff in recognition of National Library Week, April 8-14, 2012.
- d. Mayor Hansen announced the recipient of the 2012 Outstanding Older American Award will be revealed at the April 17, 2012 meeting.

ORDINANCE(S)

- a. Economic Development Program

City Manager and the City Attorney presented the staff report.

Council Member Forester and Vice Mayor Noll asked and City Attorney addressed questions regarding the Economic Development Program.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and asked questions regarding the ordinance. City Attorney and City Manager answered the questions posed by Ms. Churchill.

Vice Mayor Noll left Council Chamber at 7:56 p.m. and returned at 7:58 p.m.

Bob Mendoza, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the ordinance.

Louis Dare, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the ordinance.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and asked questions regarding the ordinance. City Attorney answered the questions posed by Ms. Harris.

Gloria Nava, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the ordinance.

City Council and City Attorney discussed the ordinance.

Mayor Hansen requested the Finance Director to come forward to address comments made by residents.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR NOLL to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2012-04-1446 adding Chapter 3.32 to the Signal Hill Municipal Code adopting a comprehensive set of economic development incentives and programs to promote the development of Signal Hill in the face of unique environmental constraints, to create jobs and to preserve the sound fiscal basis of the City in light of the elimination of redevelopment in California with agreed modifications.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2012-04-1446:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 3.32 OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE ADOPTING A COMPREHENSIVE SET OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF SIGNAL HILL IN THE FACE OF UNIQUE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSTRAINTS, TO CREATE JOBS FROM NEW BUSINESSES AND TO PRESERVE THE SOUND FISCAL BASIS OF THE CITY IN LIGHT OF THE ELIMINATION OF REDEVELOPMENT IN CALIFORNIA

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Continued Public Hearing – Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Setbacks in Areas 3 and 4 of SP-19, General Industrial Specific Plan, Pertaining to EDCO Properties Located at 2755 California Avenue and 950 E. 27th Street

Mayor indicated that this is a continued public hearing and notice was reported on March 20, 2012.

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

Vice Mayor Noll left Council Chamber at 9:13 p.m. and returned at 9:15 p.m.

Council Member Wilson confirmed the setback with Community Development Director.

Mayor Hansen re-opened the public hearing at 9:21 p.m.

Mayor Hansen invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposed to the ordinance to please come forward. No comment was received.

Mayor Hansen closed the public hearing at 9:21 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2012-04-1447 approving zoning ordinance amendment 12-02, amending Signal Hill Municipal Code Section 20.39.060 “setbacks” for Areas 3 and 4 of the SP-19, General Industrial Specific Plan, by reducing the setback standards along California Avenue from 20 to 15 feet.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2012-04-1447:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 12-02, AMENDING SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE, SECTION 20.39.060 "SETBACKS" FOR AREAS 3 AND 4 OF THE SP-19, GENERAL INDUSTRIAL SPECIFIC PLAN, BY REDUCING THE SETBACK STANDARDS ALONG CALIFORNIA AVENUE FROM 20 TO 15 FEET

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

b. Public Hearing for Approval of a Purchase and Sale Agreement for 3100 California Avenue

Mayor Hansen indicated that this is a continued public hearing and form of notice has been previously been reported.

City Manager presented the staff report.

Mayor Hansen re-opened the public hearing at 9:23 p.m.

Mayor Hansen invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposed to the purchase and sale agreement to please come forward. No comment was received.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to continue the public hearing to April 17, 2012 to allow additional time for the purchase and sale agreement to be drafted and reviewed.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

- c. Approval of a Purchase and Sale Agreement for 630-798 E. Spring Street, 800-998 E. Spring Street, 631-799 E. Canton Street, 801-999 E. Canton Street, 630-798 E. Canton Street, 800-998 E. Canton Street, 631-799 E. 29th Street and 801-999 E. 29th Street

Mayor Hansen indicated that this is a continued public hearing and form of notice has previously been reported.

City Manager presented the staff report.

Mayor Hansen re-opened the public hearing at 9:24 p.m.

Mayor Hansen invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposed to the purchase and sale agreement to please come forward. No comment was received.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to continue the public hearing to April 17, 2012 to allow additional time for the purchase and sale agreement to be drafted and reviewed.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

a. City Council Appointments to Various Organizations

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2012-04-5948 amending Resolution No. 2010-04-5807 confirming the appointments of delegates and alternates as official representatives of the city.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2012-04-5948:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2010-04-5807, CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES AS OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

b. National Night Out

City Manager presented the staff report. Chief Langston announced that the Police Department received an award from the National Association of Town Watch in recognition of National Night Out 2011.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to hold the first City Council meeting in August on Monday, August 6, 2012, in order for the City Council to attend National Night Out on Tuesday, August 7th.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

c. Use of Council Chamber by League of Women Voters

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by VICE MAYOR NOLL to allow the League of Women Voters use of the Council Chamber to conduct the candidate forums.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

d. Scheduling Budget Workshop Meeting

City Manager presented the staff report.

City Council discussed dates to hold the annual budget workshop.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD and seconded by VICE MAYOR NOLL to hold the annual budget workshop on Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Purchase of Replacement Police Department Parking Enforcement Vehicle

Summary: Staff is seeking authorization to replace a Police Department Parking Enforcement unit that was recently taken out of service.

Recommendations: Authorize the Vehicle and Equipment Services Division to purchase a new/unused 2011 Ford Ranger, 2-Door, Super Cab from Wondries Fleet Group through the City and County of San Francisco, Purchase Order number POPW11000106; approve a \$20,000 budget appropriation from the Vehicle Replacement Fund – Fund Balance Reserves to Account No. 007.560.545.520.

b. Warrant Register Dated April 3, 2012

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 3, 2012.

c. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of the City Council, March 20, 2012.

Recommendation: Approve.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident requested Consent Calendar item (b) be pulled for discussion.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to approve the Consent Calendar items (a) and (c).

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident asked and Public Works Director answered Ms. Harris question regarding the warrant register.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD and seconded by VICE MAYOR NOLL to approve item (b) on the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Forester congratulated the new Police Officers and confirmed with the Police Chief, the Signal Hill Police Department is now fully staffed with Officers.

Council Member Forester thanked Kluger Architects for sponsoring a table and inviting him as their guest at the Ahmistad Gala that raises money for Rancho Los Amigos.

Council Member Ward announced she bought a car from Hooman Nissan in Signal Hill and received great customer service.

Council Member Ward announced the Community Yard Sale at Signal Hill Park on Saturday, May 5th from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. For additional information please call (562) 989-7330.

Vice Mayor Noll commented on the Food 4 Less in Signal Hill.

Vice Mayor Noll reported on his attendance at the Revenue and Taxation Committee meeting last week.

Vice Mayor Noll reported on his attendance at the Measure K School Board meeting last week. Jessie Elwin Nelson Middle School is slated to open in September, 2012. A new high school will be built on the lot at Hill Street and Redondo Avenue and is expected to open in the year 2016.

Vice Mayor Noll requested and Deputy City Manager gave a status report on the new police station.

Council Member Wilson announced he is very pleased to hear about the new high school.

Mayor Hansen requested the weeds on the lot at Hill Street and Redondo Avenue be addressed.

Mayor Hansen announced there has been a lot of discussion in recent weeks regarding the Brown Act and expressed her appreciation to those residents who have complied with the requirements and would like to keep the meetings running efficiently.

Mayor Hansen commented on the Food 4 Less and feels it serves the diversity of the city.

Mayor Hansen announced Spring Fest is Saturday, April 7th from 9:00 a.m.-12:00p.m. at Signal Hill Park. For additional information please call (562) 989-7330.

Mayor Hansen announced National Public Safety Telecommunications Week and thanked Signal Hill Police Dispatchers Scott Ackman, Carly Fisher, Susan Inosanto, Dennis Joyce, Robin Sapp, Shanika Taylor, and Ariane Wright for their dedication and exemplary service to the community.

Mayor Hansen announced Bulky Item Pickup Week is the week of April 16th. Please call (562) 597-0608 for details or visit www.cityofsignalhill.org for additional information.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 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 HANSEN
 VICE MAYOR NOLL
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER WARD
 COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR HANSEN adjourned the meeting at 9:53 p.m.

Tina L. Hansen
Mayor

Attest:

Kathleen L. Pacheco
City Clerk