



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL
August 21, 2012**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on August 21, 2012.

CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hansen led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON

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

There was no public business from the floor.

PRESENTATION(S)

- a. Gary Dudley, President of Signal Hill Community Foundation spoke about the Concerts in the Park series and gave a presentation. Mayor Hansen and the Signal Hill Community Foundation recognized the sponsors for the 2012 Concert in the Park series.

Council Member Wilson entered Council Chamber at 7:08 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- a. Public Hearing – Introduction of an Ordinance Amending Chapters 21.44 and 13.04 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code Exempting Water Impact Fees and Service Charges Relating to Residential Fire Sprinklers and Submeters

City Clerk read the form of notice.

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

City Council asked questions regarding the Ordinance. Deputy Public Works Director addressed questions.

Mayor Hansen opened the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

Mayor Hansen invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of the Ordinance to please come forward. There was no testimony.

Mayor Hansen invited anyone wishing to speak in opposition to the Ordinance to please come forward.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and stated she is not opposed to or in favor of the Ordinance but asked for clarification regarding the fees and meters. Deputy Public Works Director explained the fees to Ms. Harris.

City Council discussed the Ordinance.

Mayor Hansen closed the public hearing at 7:40 p.m.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 2012-08-1450 amending Chapters 21.44 entitled Water System Impact Fee and 13.04 entitled Water Service and Rates, of the Signal Hill Municipal Code, to add an exemption for residential fire sprinklers and installation of submeters.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2012-08-1450:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTERS 21.44 ENTITLED WATER SYSTEM IMPACT FEE AND 13.04 ENTITLED WATER SERVICE AND RATES, OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ADD AN EXEMPTION FOR RESIDENTIAL FIRE SPRINKLERS AND INSTALLATION OF SUBMETERS.

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. Los Angeles County Civil Grand Jury Report – Los Angeles County Charter Cities

City Manager presented the staff report.

City Council discussed the Grand Jury Report.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the Grand Jury Report and requested the City put the Grand Jury Report on the city website. City Manager responded to comments made by Ms. Harris.

Finance Director spoke about the CAFR and the audit.

City Council and City Treasurer discussed a two-year budget, an Audit Committee and routinely changing auditors.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to direct staff to agendize a two year budget and recommendation for an audit committee, and sending out a Request for Proposal for a new auditor at a future meeting in the early part of 2013.

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. Award of Contract for Printing of City Views Newsletter

Summary: The City Council will consider entering into a contract with ABC Press Commercial Printing for the typesetting and printing of the City Views Newsletter.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement for the typesetting and printing of the City Views Newsletter with ABC Press Commercial Printing in a form approved by the City Attorney. The contract will be for three years for a total amount of \$38,457.

b. Award of Contract for the Installation of Play Surface at Raymond Arbor Park Project, No. 690

Summary: On July 17, 2012, the City received bids for the Installation of Play Surface at Raymond Arbor Park Project, No. 690. Staff is recommending an award of contract to Aghapy Group.

Recommendations: 1. Authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Installation of Play Surface at Raymond Arbor Park Project, No. 690, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to Aghapy Group, in the amount of \$43,544. 2. Approve the budget adjustment appropriating \$10,000 from the FY 2012-13 Park Development Fund.

c. Claim for Damages

Summary: The City has received a claim for damages from Nnanijelu Oguagha for post traumatic stress and property damages incurred during the execution of a search warrant.

Recommendation: Deny the claim for Nnanijelu Oguagha.

d. Schedule of Investments

Summary: The Schedule of Investments is a listing of all surplus funds invested for both the City and its former Redevelopment Agency as of the date shown on the report. Funds in the former Signal Hill Redevelopment Agency will be transferred to the Signal Hill Successor Agency upon completion of final audit.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

e. Warrant Registers Dated August 21, 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 Registers dated August 21, 2012 for FY 2011-2012 and FY 2012-2013.

f. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of the City Council, August 6, 2012.

Recommendation: Approve.

Council Member Forester requested pulling item (a) of the Consent Calendar. Mayor Hansen requested pulling item (f) of the Consent Calendar.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD and seconded by VICE MAYOR NOLL to approve items (b) through (e) 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 Member Forester asked the City Manager about the new contract for the printing of the City Views Newsletter. City Manager addressed the question.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to approve item (a) 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

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to approve item (f) on the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: VICE MAYOR NOLL

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Forester thanked staff for working so hard with Boulevard Buick and bringing Boulevard Cadillac to Signal Hill. Congratulations to Boulevard on 50 years in business.

Council Member Ward announced she attended the grand opening for Boulevard tonight.

Council Member Ward announced the Signal Hill Historical Society Annual Pancake Breakfast is on Saturday, September 22nd at 9:00 a.m. at Discovery Well Park.

Council Member Ward announced the Gay, Lesbian, Bi-Sexual, Transgender Community is working with the Long Beach Historical Society. Please contact the Long Beach Historical Society if you have any historical items.

Council Member Wilson congratulated Boulevard on their grand opening and announced football is approaching. Go USC!

Vice Mayor Noll stated he is pleased with the transparency the City maintains through the website and workshops conducted during the year.

Mayor Hansen announced Youth Excursions on August 23rd to the Los Angeles Zoo and to Pacific Park Amusement Park at the Santa Monica pier on August 30th.

Mayor Hansen announced the Library will present Buster Balloon and his spectacular balloon creations on Wednesday, August 29th at 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Hansen announced Active Adult Excursion to Agriculture Museum and California Oil Museum in Santa Paula on Thursday, October 4th. See Cleopatra, the Exhibit at the California Science Center on Thursday, October 18th.

Mayor Hansen announced the Signal Hill Historical Society Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, September 22nd at 9:00 a.m. at Discovery Well Park.

Mayor Hansen announced Signal Hill Health Day at Discovery Well Park on Saturday, September 29th.

Mayor Hansen announced the First Fridays Book Club will meet on Friday, September 7th at 11:30 a.m. in the Library. For additional information, please call (562) 989-7324.

Mayor Hansen announced the Evening Book Club will meet on Monday, September 10th on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

Mayor Hansen announced the Summer Library Programs are drawing to a close and will finish on August 29th with drawings for prizes for all programs.

For additional information on all events please call (562) 989-7330 or visit our website at www.cityofsignalhill.org

Mayor Hansen announced she will not be attending the next Council meeting but will be at the September 18th meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by VICE MAYOR NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council on Tuesday, September 4, 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 9:10 p.m.

Tina L. Hansen
Mayor

Attest:

Kathleen L. Pacheco
City Clerk