



**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL
November 5, 2013**

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on November 5, 2013.

CALL TO ORDER – 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: NONE

CLOSED SESSION

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, to discuss labor negotiations with the Signal Hill Police Officers Association.
- b. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), pending litigation, Case No. CV13-04505, Strickland v. Hyllested.
- c. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9, existing litigation, regarding Water Replenishment District of Southern California v. City of Signal Hill, Case No. B242071; Los Angeles Superior Court Case Nos. VC060496, BS128136.
- d. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, to conduct City Manager performance evaluation.
- e. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, to conduct performance evaluation, Assistant to the City Manager/Personnel.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There was no public business from the floor.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:02 P.M.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 7:06 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Noll led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Noll announced he is waiving the three minute time limit for those wishing to speak on the Presentation of the Fiscal Impact of the Know and Vote Measure agenda item 10 (a).

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

There was no public business from the floor.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney reported on closed session items. Closed session items (a) through (c) were discussed and no reportable action was taken. Closed session items (d) and (e) were not discussed and will be agendized at a future meeting.

PRESENTATION

Mayor Noll introduced Michael Busch, President of Urban Futures Inc., who made a presentation on the fiscal impact of the Know and Vote Measure.

Mayor Noll introduced the Finance Director and asked for her comments on the Urban Futures report, her experience dealing with structural deficits, and the services that could be impacted.

Finance Director commented on the report and addressed the questions posed by Mayor Noll.

City Council asked questions regarding the report and the possible effects of the Know and Vote Measure.

Finance Director and Mr. Busch addressed the questions posed by Council.

Carol Churchill, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the Know and Vote Measure.

Maria Harris, Signal Hill resident addressed Council regarding the Know and Vote Measure and read a letter (available in the City Clerk's office).

City Council directed questions to the City Attorney regarding the Know and Vote Measure.

City Attorney addressed the questions posed by Council.

Vice Mayor Wilson and City Attorney commented on the fiscal impact report.

Council Member Hansen and City Attorney commented on the language of the Know and Vote Measure.

Council Member Woods thanked Michael Busch for the thorough report.

City Treasurer asked Mr. Busch his opinion regarding the Know and Vote Measure.

Mr. Busch addressed the question posed by City Treasurer.

Vice Mayor Wilson thanked Mr. Busch and Urban Futures, Inc. and commented on the analysis.

Mayor Noll thanked Mr. Busch and commented on the report and thanked the Finance Director for her comments.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER to receive and file.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Public Hearing-Urgency Ordinance Amending Signal Hill Municipal Code Chapter 12.16 as it Relates to Storm Water

City Clerk read the form of notice.

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

Mayor Noll opened the public hearing at 9:20 p.m.

Mayor Noll invited anyone wishing to speak in favor of or opposed to the ordinance to please come forward.

Gloria Nava, Signal Hill resident addressed Council and asked about water running down Temple Avenue.

Public Works Director addressed the question directed by Ms. Nava.

Mayor Noll closed the public hearing at 9:24 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to waive further reading and adopt the ordinance amending Chapter 12.16 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code as it relates to storm water and urban runoff pollution prevention controls and declaring the urgency thereof.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2013-11-1462:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 12.16 OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE AS IT RELATES TO STORM WATER AND URBAN RUNOFF POLLUTION PREVENTION CONTROLS AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI 12) Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area Grant Program

Summary: The Police Department is seeking authorization to accept a U.S. Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”) Grant in the amount of \$40,954. The grant funds will be utilized to upgrade the security camera system at Hilltop Park, purchase additional Automated License Plate Reader technology, and replace officers gas mask canisters.

Recommendations: 1. Authorize the City Manager to accept UASI 12 Grant Funds and to execute a Sub-recipient Agreement with the City of Los Angeles. 2. Approve the purchase of a Wireless IP Camera System from Platt Security in an amount not to exceed \$12,500. 3. Approve a budget adjustment for \$40,954 to the Domestic Preparedness Grant Revenue account number 036-336-465-637, and expenditures for \$40,954 to Domestic Preparedness Grant expenditure account number 036-336-545-510.

b. Agreement for the "Avoid The 100 DUI Campaign (West) Los Angeles County"

Summary: The Police Department wishes to renew a one-year agreement with Gardena Police Department in support of countywide regional efforts to publicize the combined DUI efforts of all law enforcement agencies in Los Angeles County and to raise general public awareness regarding the problems associated with drinking and driving.

Recommendation: Authorize the Chief of Police to enter into a one-year agreement with Gardena Police Department as the fiscal pass-through service provider for the 2013-2014 State of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) "Avoid the 100 DUI Campaign (West) Los Angeles County" grant project, subject to City Attorney approval as to form.

c. Extension of Contract Services Agreement with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach

Summary: The Conservation Corps of Long Beach (CCLB) has provided maintenance support services to Public Works Maintenance Operations since 2005. Staff recommends City Council approval to extend the contract for maintenance support for a period of two years.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to extend the Contract Services Agreement, in the amount of \$37,500, between the City and the Conservation Corps of Long Beach, to provide a corps member to supplement the Public Works Maintenance Operations Program, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

d. Resolution Establishing a "No Parking" Tow Away Zone on Redondo Avenue Between Pacific Coast Highway and E. 19th Street

Summary: This resolution will establish a No Parking-Tow Away Zone between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. on Redondo Avenue between Pacific Coast Highway and E. 19th Street. The proposed parking restrictions are in response to business owner concerns over late night activities of patrons from a local Long Beach nightclub, including littering and vandalism that are affecting their properties.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution establishing a No Parking-Tow Away Zone between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. on Redondo Avenue between Pacific Coast Highway and E. 19TH Street.

e. Contract Services Agreement For Contract City Engineering Services With RKA Consulting Group

Summary: The Public Works Department has utilized the services of RKA Consulting Group to serve as the City's contract City Engineer since 2003. Staff is recommending renewal of the Contract Services Agreement with RKA Consulting Group to continue providing City Engineer services.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement between the City of Signal Hill and RKA Consulting Group to provide professional City Engineer engineering services, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

f. Approval of Use of City Media for Friends of the Signal Hill Library Book Sale

Summary: The Friends of the Signal Hill Library (FOSHL) is seeking approval to advertise the FOSHL Used Book Sale on December, 7, 2013 via City media resources. The request includes a flyer to be inserted with water bills in late November, City website, cable channel, Signal Hill Auto Center Electronic Message Board, bulletin boards, and banner poles.

Recommendation: Authorize the Friends of the Signal Hill Library to utilize City media resources to advertise their free used book sale subject to the conditions outlined in the report.

g. Warrant Register Dated November 5, 2013

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 November 5, 2013 for FY 2013-2014.

h. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of October 15, 2013.

Recommendation: Approve.

Council Member Forester requested item (c) be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Council Member Woods requested item (d) be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to approve items (a), (b), and (e) through (h) of the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

c. Extension of Contract Services Agreement with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach

Council Member Forester recused himself to avoid a conflict of interest due to his position as board member for the Conservation Corps. and left Council Chamber at 9:24 p.m.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR WILSON and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to approve item (c) of the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER

Council Member Forester returned to Council Chamber at 9:25 p.m.

d. Resolution Establishing a "No Parking" Tow Away Zone on Redondo Avenue Between Pacific Coast Highway and E. 19th Street

Council Member Woods commented on the resolution and expressed her concern regarding the businesses in the subject area.

Public Works Director addressed the concerns and questions posed by Council Member Woods.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2013-11-6046 establishing a No Parking-Tow Away Zone between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. on Redondo Avenue between Pacific Coast Highway and E. 19th Street.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Forester requested some research be done regarding no smoking in restricted areas in multi-residential complexes.

Vice Mayor Wilson thanked Community Services Department for a successful and well attended Halloween Carnival.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented on the Harvest Festival hosted by the Calvary Chapel and held at Signal Hill Elementary School last week.

Vice Mayor Wilson reported on his attendance at a public briefing with Mayor Eric Garcetti last week.

Vice Mayor Wilson announced the Affordable Care Act and Covered California Presentation on Saturday, December 7th at 10:00 a.m. in Council Chamber. Please call (562) 989-7307 to RSVP or additional information.

Mayor Noll announced the In-N-Out Burger Cover to Cover Reading Program beginning November 16th for ages 4-12. Please call (562) 989-7324 for additional information.

Mayor Noll announced Cookies with Santa on Saturday, December 7th at 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. This event is free for children and one free adult for each child. Please call (562) 989-7330 to register or for additional information.

Mayor Noll announced there will be no interruption of refuse or recycling services on Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11th. There will be no street sweeping on Monday, November 11th and regularly scheduled street sweeping will resume on Tuesday, November 12th.

Mayor Noll announced the Free Bulky Item Collection Week. During the week of November 11-15, bulky items will be picked up on your scheduled trash day. Residents in multi-family complexes should call (562) 597-0608 to schedule a pickup. Please remember hazardous household waste items are not appropriate for the collection and may be brought to the EDCO Transfer Station facility, located at 2755 California Avenue, on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Mayor Noll reported on his participation, along with Vice Mayor Wilson at Principal for a Day at Jessie Elwin Nelson Academy.

Vice Mayor Wilson commented on Principal for a Day and Jessie Elwin Nelson Academy.

Council Member Hansen requested the School of Choice numbers for Jessie Elwin Nelson Academy.

Vice Mayor Wilson wished daughter Ashley a Happy Birthday next Wednesday.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by VICE MAYOR WILSON to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 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 NOLL
 VICE MAYOR WILSON
 COUNCIL MEMBER FORESTER
 COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR NOLL adjourned the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

Michael J. Noll
Mayor

Attest:

Kathleen L. Pacheco
City Clerk