



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

May 18, 2010  
7:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in the Council Chamber of City Hall on May 18, 2010.

**CALL TO ORDER – 7:06 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

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

ABSENT:       NONE

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Wilson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

There was no public business from the floor.

**PRESENTATION(S)**

- a. Mayor Wilson introduced Chief Sonoff who presented the MADD Award for DUI enforcement to Officer Jeff Poor, Officer Kelli Crigler and Officer Eric Keren.
- b. Mayor Wilson presented a Distinguished Service Award to Officers Russ Hefte and Raul Ramirez for actions taken to free a critically injured woman from beneath a vehicle.
- c. Mayor Wilson presented a proclamation to the Signal Hill Public Works Department in recognition of Public Works Week.

## **ORDINANCE(S)**

- a. Adoption of Ordinance No. 2010-04-1413 Authorizing an Amendment to the Contract Between the City of Signal Hill and Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2010-04-1413 authorizing an amendment to the contract between the City Council of the City of Signal Hill, California, and the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2010-04-1413:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALPERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:    NONE

ABSTAIN:   NONE

- b. Adoption of Ordinance No. 2010-05-1415 Amending Signal Hill Municipal Code Chapter 8.08 Relating to Refuse Regulations

City Manager presented the staff report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by VICE MAYOR FORESTER to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2010-05-1415 amending the City of Signal Hill Municipal Code Chapter 8.08 refuse regulations.

City Attorney read the title of Ordinance No. 2010-05-1415:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL,  
CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 8.08  
REFUSE REGULATIONS

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE

### **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

a. Resolution Adopting Investment Policy

Chair Hansen called the Redevelopment Agency to order at 7:20 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT:       CHAIR HANSEN  
                  VICE CHAIR FORESTER  
                  MEMBER NOLL  
                  MEMBER WARD  
                  MEMBER WILSON

ABSENT:        NONE

City Manager/Executive Director introduced the City Treasurer who presented the staff report.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2010-05-5815 amending and adopting its investment policy for public funds.

City Attorney read the title of Resolution No. 2010-05-5815:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL,  
CALIFORNIA AMENDING AND ADOPTING ITS INVESTMENT POLICY FOR  
PUBLIC FUNDS

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:    NONE

ABSTAIN:   NONE

It was moved by MEMBER FORESTER and seconded by MEMBER WARD to waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2010-05-434 amending and adopting its investment policy for public funds.

Agency Counsel read title of Resolution No. 2010-05-434:

A RESOLUTION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA AMENDING AND ADOPTING ITS INVESTMENT POLICY FOR PUBLIC FUNDS

The following vote resulted:

AYES:       CHAIR HANSEN  
              VICE CHAIR NOLL  
              MEMBER FORESTER  
              MEMBER WARD  
              MEMBER WILSON

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:    NONE

ABSTAIN:   NONE

Chair Hansen recessed the Redevelopment Agency at 7:44 p.m.

b. Extension of Contract Services Agreement with ValleyCrest Landscape, Inc. for the Maintenance of Landscaped Areas Citywide

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

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to authorize the City Manager to execute a second amendment to the Contract Services Agreement with ValleyCrest Landscape, Inc. for landscape maintenance services citywide. The amendment provides a three-year extension of the existing contract with a total cost of \$846,710 over the three years.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:    NONE

ABSTAIN:   NONE

c. Award of Contract for the 2010 Pavement Management Project. No. 655

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

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by VICE MAYOR FORESTER to authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the 2010 Pavement Management Project, No. 655 to All American Asphalt in the amount of \$299,726.70 in a form approved by the City Attorney and approve the budget adjustment appropriating \$400,000 in cost savings from the Cherry Avenue Resurfacing Project, No. 785 to the Pavement Management Project budget.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE

d. Award of Contract for the Willow Street Improvements Project No. 688

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

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to authorize the City Manager to award a contract for the Willow Street Improvements Project, No. 688 to Imperial Paving Company in the amount of \$269,802.25 in a form approved by the City Attorney and approve the budget adjustment appropriating \$100,000 in cost savings from the Cherry Avenue Resurfacing Project No. 785 to the Willow Street Improvement Project budget.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE

e. Reservoir Park Upgrades

City Manager introduced the Director of Community Services who presented the staff report.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to review and approve the conceptual drawing for Reservoir Park upgrades including the addition of replacement of the existing restroom facility.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:    NONE

ABSTAIN:   NONE

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

a. Resolution of Intent to Grant a Franchise to Crimson California Pipeline L.P.

Summary: Effective July 1, 2008, ConocoPhillips Pipeline Company sold and assigned over its common carrier pipeline system and its idle pipelines under Ordinance No. 2005-03-1344 to Crimson California Pipeline L.P. (Crimson). Crimson has agreed to assume all obligations under Ordinance 2005-03-1344. Crimson is requesting a pipeline franchise to operate the acquired facilities within the City's right-of-way. This resolution states the City Council's intent to grant a franchise to Crimson California Pipeline L.P.

Recommendations: 1) Waive further reading and adopt the resolution declaring intent to grant a franchise to Crimson California Pipeline L.P., and the interests, rights, privileges, and duties to lay and use pipes and appurtenances for transmitting and distributing oil and petroleum products for any and all lawful purpose under and along the public streets, ways, alleys and places, as the same now or may hereafter exist, within this city. 2) Set a public hearing for June 15, 2010.

b. Contract Services Agreement with ShelterCLEAN to Provide Bus Shelter Maintenance Services

Summary: Clear Channel Communications, the City's bus shelter advertising placement vendor, left the industry at the end of 2008. Staff is recommending that the City obtain the services of Shelter CLEAN to provide bus shelter maintenance services citywide.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement between the City of Signal Hill and ShelterCLEAN in a form approved by the City Attorney, to provide bus shelter maintenance services citywide.

c. Resolution Declaring Final Acceptance of the Sidewalk and ADA Access Project No. 602

Summary: F S Construction has completed the Sidewalk and ADA Access Project, No. 602, to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. Staff is recommending final acceptance of the work performed by F S Construction.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution declaring work to be completed in conformance with the plans and specifications for the sidewalk and ADA access project, No. 602, in the City of Signal Hill, in accordance with the contract entered into between F S Construction and the City of Signal Hill, California.

d. Resolution Declaring Final Acceptance of the Sidewalk and ADA Access Project, No. 605

Summary: Golden State Constructors, Inc. has completed the Sidewalk and ADA Access Project, No. 605, to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. Staff is recommending final acceptance of the work performed by Golden State Constructors, Inc.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution declaring work to be completed in conformance with the plans and specifications for the sidewalk and ADA access project, No. 605, in the City of Signal Hill, in accordance with the contract entered into between Golden State Constructors, Inc. and the City of Signal Hill, California.

e. Resolution Declaring Final Acceptance of the Nevada Street Improvements Project, No. 613

Summary: Nobest, Inc. has completed the Nevada Street Improvements Project, No. 613, to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. Staff is recommending final acceptance of the work performed by Nobest, Inc.



Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution declaring work to be completed in conformance with the plans and specifications for the Nevada Street Improvements Project, No. 613, in the City of Signal Hill, in accordance with the contract entered into between Nobest, Inc. and the City of Signal Hill, California.

f. Resolution Accepting Two Water Easements

Summary: This resolution will accept easements for the purpose of accessing, repairing, operating, and maintaining water lines and meters at two locations on Long Beach Unified School District property located on the south side of 20<sup>th</sup> Street west of Cherry Avenue.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution accepting two water easements for water purposes, and the right to access, repair, operate, and maintain the water lines and meters.

g. Contract Services Agreement With Robert R. Coffee Architect & Associates to Provide Assistance to the Master Plan for Signal Hill Park

Summary: Council will consider awarding a Contract Services Agreement with Robert R. Coffee Architect & Associates to provide the planning and design input for the future library and integration of the library in the master plan for Signal Hill Park and Opinion of Probable Costs.

Recommendations: 1) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract Services Agreement with Robert R. Coffee Architect & Associates to provide assistance to integrate the library in the Signal Hill Park Master Plan in an amount not to exceed \$10,800, in a form approved by the City Attorney, and authorize funds to be allocated from the Park Development Fund for this expenditure. 2) Approve the budget adjustment appropriating \$10,800 from the Park Development to the Recreation Services Contract Services account no. 050-214-515-350.

h. Adoption of Resolution Establishing the City's Contribution to the 2% @ 55 and the 2% @ 60 Retirement Formulas Through the California Public Employees' Retirement System

Summary: The City Council will consider a resolution requiring all newly hired full-time miscellaneous employees to make a contribution equivalent to 4% of the annual salary to help fund their 2% @ 60 California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) retirement formula.

Recommendation: Waive further reading and adopt the resolution specifying the City's contribution towards the required normal member contribution for the 2% @ 55 and the 2% @ 60 retirement formulas provided by the California Public Employees' Retirement System.

i. Claim for Damages

Summary: The City has received a claim for damages from Michael Gorman for “Fraudulent Revenue Scheme” in connection with a traffic citation.

Recommendation: Deny.

j. Schedule of Investments

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

Recommendation: Receive and file.

k. Warrant Register Dated May 18, 2010

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 the Warrant Register dated May 18, 2010.

l. Minutes of the Following Meeting(s)

Regular Meeting of May 4, 2010.

Recommendation: Approve.

It was moved by VICE MAYOR FORESTER and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL to approve the Consent Calendar.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:     NONE

ABSTAIN:    NONE

## **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

There was no public business from the floor.

## **COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS**

Council Member Hansen asked staff about the weeds on Skyline Drive behind the statue in Sunset View Park.

Council Member Noll asked staff about the art wall in front of the City Yard.

Council Member Noll announced Signal Hill resident Dorothy Seymour will be celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on May 27<sup>th</sup>.

Council Member Noll reminded residents fines will be given to dog owners who do not keep their dogs on a leash and for neglecting to clean up after their pet.

Vice Mayor Forester announced his attendance at Senior Day in the City of Carson and thanked Congresswoman Laura Richardson for the event.

Vice Mayor Forester asked staff about the possibility of licensing cats within the City.

Vice Mayor Forester reported on his attendance at the Southern California Association of Governments in La Quinta.

Mayor Wilson asked staff about water conservation and possible problems with pipes like the City of Los Angeles is currently experiencing.

Mayor Wilson reported on his meeting with Contract Cities last week.

Mayor Wilson announced a program with the AQMD which allows residents to turn in old, but still operable, gas lawn mowers and purchase a cordless, rechargeable, electric lawn mower at a greatly reduced price. For additional information, please call (888) 425-6247 or visit [www.aqmd.gov](http://www.aqmd.gov).

Mayor Wilson announced tonight's meeting will be adjourned in memory of retired Signal Hill Police Officer Terry Taylor.

## **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WARD to recess to Closed Session at 8:27 p.m.

The following vote resulted:

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

NOES:           NONE

ABSENT:        NONE

ABSTAIN:       NONE

### **CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A closed session was held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to discuss labor negotiations the Signal Hill Police Officers Association.

### **COUNCIL RECONVENED AT 9:11 P.M.**

### **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

City Attorney reported on the closed session item. Status report was given, no reportable action taken.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN and seconded by VICE MAYOR FORESTER, to adjourn tonight's meeting in memory Terry Taylor, retired Signal Hill Police Officer, to Wednesday, May 26, at 6:00 p.m. to hold the Budget Workshop. This meeting will be held in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA, 90755.

The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, June 1, 2010 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 WILSON  
              VICE MAYOR FORESTER  
              COUNCIL MEMBER HANSEN  
              COUNCIL MEMBER NOLL  
              COUNCIL MEMBER WARD

NOES:       NONE

ABSENT:    NONE

ABSTAIN:   NONE

MAYOR WILSON adjourned the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

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Edward H.J. Wilson  
Mayor

Attest:

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Kathleen L. Pacheco  
City Clerk