



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL August 26, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in-person in the Council Chamber on August 26, 2025.

(1) **CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 P.M.**

(2) **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR KEIR JONES
VICE MAYOR TINA HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER CHARLIE HONEYCUTT
COUNCIL MEMBER LORI WOODS

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT COPELAND

(3) **CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

PROPERTY: APPROXIMATELY 1.6 ACRES OF CITY-OWNED, INDUSTRIAL OPEN SPACE ADJACENT TO I-405 FREEWAY; APN: 7212-001-933.

AGENCY NEGOTIATORS: MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER.

NEGOTIATING PARTIES: CITY OF SIGNAL HILL; CLEAR CHANNEL OUTDOOR HOLDINGS, INCORPORATED; AND THEIR AUTHORIZED AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES.

UNDER NEGOTIATION: PRICE AND TERMS OF PAYMENT.

(4) **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

There was no public business from the floor.

(5) **RECESSED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:01 P.M.**

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to recess to Closed Session.

(6) **RECONVENED REGULAR MEETING – 7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Jones reconvened the meeting and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(7) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

(8) **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

The City Attorney reported on the closed session item; there was no reportable action taken.

(9) **PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

Signal Hill resident Scott Wilcox thanked the Police Department for excellent customer service he recently received.

(10) **PRESENTATIONS**

- a. POLICE CHIEF BRAD KENNEALLY WILL SWEAR IN NEWLY PROMOTED CAPTAIN KELLI CRIGLER.

Chief of Police Brad Kenneally swore in the new Police Captain, Kelli Crigler.

- b. THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT WILL MAKE A PRESENTATION TO SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENCY AND THE SERVICES IT PROVIDES. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT'S GOAL IS TO ENSURE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THEIR CONSTITUENTS ARE AWARE OF THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THEM AND WHO TO CONTACT FOR MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL ASSISTANCE.

Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District Assistant General Manager Allison Costa presented agenda item 10b.

- c. THE SIGNAL HILL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY, HOSTED FOUR CONCERTS IN THE PARK FOR THE 2025 SUMMER SEASON. MAYOR JONES WILL RECOGNIZE THIS YEAR'S SPONSORS.

Mayor Jones presented agenda item 10c.

- d. PRESENTATION OF THE NEW SPOTLIGHT ON SMALL BUSINESS VIDEO SERIES FEATURING THE WINE COUNTRY. THE OWNER, RANDALL “RANDY” KEMNER, WILL ACCEPT A CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION.

Mayor Jones presented agenda item 10d.

(11) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY PERSONNEL ADJUSTMENT IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO SUPPORT PLANNED STAFFING TRANSITIONS

Community Development Director Colleen Doan and Human Resources Manager Patricia Ahumada provided a presentation on this item. It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT to approve an additional full time equivalent (FTE) employee in the Community Development Department through June 30, 2026.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
 VICE MAYOR HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND

ABSTAIN: NONE

- b. PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT WITH KORMEX CONSTRUCTION, INCORPORATED FOR THE STREET TREE PLANTING PROJECT (PROJECT NO.90.25012)

Contracts Manager Margarita Beltran provided a presentation on this item and responded to a question from the City Council regarding residents who may want to request opting out of this parkway work. The City Council also expressed appreciation for this work to enhance the community. It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Public Works Contract with Kormex Construction, Incorporated for the Street Tree Planting Project, for a term of 6 months and a not to exceed contract amount of \$365,500, in a form approved by the City Attorney; and authorize a 10% contingency of \$36,550 and up to a 60 calendar day extension to accommodate additional scope of work, scope of work changes, or unforeseen conditions, to be utilized if approved by the Public Works Director, for a total construction budget of \$402,050.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND

ABSTAIN: NONE

c. FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE PANORAMA PROMENADE SLOPE LANDSCAPE PROJECT AND APPROVAL OF A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH SIGNAL HILL PETROLEUM

Public Works Director/City Engineer Thomas Bekele provided a presentation on this item. The City Council expressed appreciation to staff for this conscientious repair work, the speed at which it was completed, and presenting cost solutions; working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and to Signal Hill Petroleum for partnering on the cost of the work. It was moved by VICE MAYOR HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to accept the work in conformance with the plans and specifications for the Panorama Promenade Slope Landscape Project in accordance with the contract entered into between Estate Design and Construction, Incorporated and the City of Signal Hill, and authorize the City Manager to execute the Notice of Completion; direct staff to record the Notice of Completion with the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder's office; and authorize the City Manager to execute a Cost Sharing Agreement with Signal Hill Petroleum to formalize its contribution of seventy percent (70%) of the total costs associated with Phase II of the Panorama Slope Landscape Project, in a form approved by the City Attorney.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND

ABSTAIN: NONE

(12) CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF PHASE I SIDEWALK REPAIR PROJECT (PROJECT NO. 90.25007) PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT WITH GENTRY GENERAL ENGINEERING, INCORPORATED
- b. LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER

MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY AMENDED AND RESTATED JOINT EXERCISE OF POWER AUTHORITY AGREEMENT

- c. FEE AND ALCOHOL PROHIBITION WAIVER REQUEST FOR THE SIGNAL HILL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION ANNUAL FALL FUNDRAISING EVENT
- d. APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION FINALIZING THE CITY'S LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
- e. PROPOSED ACCEPTANCE OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG) 24 AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT
- f. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2024 MILITARY EQUIPMENT ANNUAL REPORT AND RENEWING ORDINANCE NO. 2022-06-1535
- g. CONTRACT AMENDMENT REGISTER DATED AUGUST 26, 2025
- h. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS AND MONTHLY TRANSACTION REPORT
- i. WARRANT REGISTER PRESENTED AUGUST 26, 2025
- j. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

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

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
 VICE MAYOR HANSEN
 COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT
 COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND

ABSTAIN: NONE

(13) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Woods reported that she attended the recent California Contract Cities Association (CCCA) Board of Directors meeting at the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden and indicated that she is unable to attend the upcoming CCCA conference.

Mayor Jones reported that he was recently appointed to the Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust Board of Directors and that a new Signal Hill Community Foundation event, "A Night of Magic", is scheduled for October 30, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. on the Signal Point Terrace.

It was moved by MAYOR JONES and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to agendize a discussion of establishing an annual Jessie Nelson Day of Remembrance to be held in April.

Council Member Woods, and the entire City Council, congratulated City Clerk Daritza Gonzalez (now Perez) on her recent nuptials.

(14) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by VICE MAYOR HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER HONEYCUTT to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next Regular meeting of the City Council on September 9, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR JONES adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

KEIR JONES
MAYOR

Attest:

DARITZA PEREZ
CITY CLERK