



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL
WELCOMES YOU TO A REGULAR
DIVERSITY COALITION COMMITTEE MEETING
March 11, 2026

The City of Signal Hill appreciates your attendance. Public interest provides the Diversity Coalition Committee with valuable information regarding issues of the community. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of odd-numbered months. Meetings will commence at 5:30 p.m. There is a public comment period at the beginning of the regular meeting, as well as the opportunity to comment on each agenda item as it arises. Any meeting may be adjourned to a time and place stated in the order of adjournment.

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To participate.:

- In-person Participation: Signal Hill Public Library, 1800 E. Hill Street, Signal Hill, California.
- To make a general public comment or comment on a specific agenda item, you may also submit your comment, limited to 250 words or less, to cityclerk@cityofsignalhill.org no later than 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2026. Written comments will be provided electronically to the Diversity Coalition Committee and attached to the meeting minutes. Written comments will not be read into the record.

Diversity Coalition Committee Members receive no compensation.

(1) **CALL TO ORDER – 5:30 P.M.**

(2) **ROLL CALL**

Committee Members:
JENNIFER ARZATE
SAMONA MICHELLE CALDWELL
PAM DUTCH HUGHES
MARY GONZALES
HARSHAN JEYAKUMAR
CHARISMA JUSTIS
GEGE LOPEZ
DIANA PHILLIPS
LUPE REYES
LISA WONG

(3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(4) PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THIS AGENDA

(5) PRESENTATIONS

- a. OVERVIEW OF UPDATED CITY COUNCIL APPROVED STRUCTURE FOR THE DIVERSITY COALITION COMMITTEE

Summary:

City staff will provide the Diversity Coalition Committee Members with an overview of the updated City Council approved structure for the Diversity Coalition Committee.

(6) STAFF UPDATE

(7) DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

- a. SELECTION OF A CHAIR TO FILL EXISTING VACANCY DUE TO RESIGNATION

Summary:

Former Diversity Coalition Committee (DCC) Chair, Kerry Castillo, resigned in January 2026 from her position as a member and Chair. Her resignation left the Chair seat vacant. Per the City Council Committee Policy, the DCC will elect a new Chair to lead the committee through the term ending June 30, 2027.

Recommendation:

Staff recommend the DCC nominate and elect a new committee member to serve in the role of Chair through June 30, 2027.

- b. DIVERSITY BREAKFAST EVENT

Summary:

The City, in partnership with the Diversity Coalition Committee, hosts the Diversity Breakfast event the first Tuesday in June. This year, the event would fall on Tuesday, June 2, 2026. To allow enough time to plan and promote the event, staff request the committee identify up to two members of the committee serve as points of contact for City staff throughout the planning process.

Recommendation:

Staff recommend the DCC select up to two members of the DCC to serve as points of contact for the planning of the Diversity Breakfast event scheduled for Tuesday, June 2, 2026.

(8) CONSENT CALENDAR

The following Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. Items will be acted upon by the Committee at one time without discussion. Any item may be removed by a Committee or member of the audience for discussion.

(9) COMMITTEE NEW BUSINESS

(10) ADJOURNMENT

Tonight's meeting will be adjourned to the next regular meeting of the Diversity Coalition Committee to be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., in the Signal Hill Public Library, 1800 E. Hill Street, Signal Hill, CA 90755

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

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