



CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING SIGNAL HILL CITY COUNCIL September 13, 2022

A Regular Meeting of the Signal Hill City Council was held in-person and via video/teleconference on September 13, 2022 pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 54953 (as amended by AB 361).

(1) **CALL TO ORDER – 6:02 P.M.**

(2) **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: MAYOR KEIR JONES
VICE MAYOR TINA HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER LORI WOODS

ABSENT: NONE

LATE ARRIVAL: COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARD WILSON

(3) **CLOSED SESSION**

- a. A CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 TO CONDUCT DEPARTMENT HEAD EVALUATIONS.

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

There was no public business from the floor.

(5) **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

Council Member Wilson entered closed session at 6:15 p.m.

(6) **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING – 7:07 P.M.**

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR KEIR JONES
VICE MAYOR TINA HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERT COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER EDWARD WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER LORI WOODS

ABSENT: NONE

(7) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(8) CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney reported on closed session item. There was no reportable action taken.

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

There was no public business from the floor.

(10) COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(11) PRESENTATIONS

- a. THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR WILL PROVIDE A BRIEF VIDEO PRESENTATION COMMEMORATING LABOR DAY ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2022.
- b. THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR WILL PROVIDE A PRESENTATION REGARDING WATER CONSERVATION.

The Community Services Director presented agenda item 11(a); and the Public Works Director presented agenda item 11(b).

(12) PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. PUBLIC HEARING - ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND AMERICAN UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ACADEMY (AUHS/AURA) SPECIFIC PLAN TO EXPAND UNIVERSITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND ESTABLISH A PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL AT 1600 E. HILL STREET

Mayor Jones opened the public hearing at 7:44 p.m.

Dr. Carroll Ryan and Dr. Marilyn Uvero, AUHS representatives, commented on the agenda item.

The City Clerk commented and asked a question regarding impact on street parking.

Dr. Ryan commented on the question posed by the City Clerk.

Mayor Jones closed the public hearing at 7:53 p.m.

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to adopt Resolution No. 2022-09-6706 adopting Negative Declaration (SCH2022070504) for the AUHS/AURA specific plan; and introduce Ordinance No. 2022-09-1541 approving Zoning Ordinance Amendment 22-05, amending Title 20 of the Signal Hill Municipal Code to include Chapter 20.25.

Resolution No. 2022-09-6706, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, TO ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION (SCH2022070504) FOR THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES/AMERICAN UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ACADEMY (AUHS/AURA) SPECIFIC PLAN

Ordinance No. 2022-09-1541, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 22-05, AMENDING TITLE 20 OF THE SIGNAL HILL MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD CHAPTER 20.25 ENTITLED "SP-25, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES AND THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY RESEARCH ACADEMY (AUHS/AURA) SPECIFIC PLAN", AND AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF AN APPROXIMATE 3.75-ACRE SITE AT 1600 E. HILL STREET FROM "COMMERCIAL OFFICE (CO)" TO "AUHS/AURA SPECIFIC PLAN (SP-25)" (APN 7215-009-005), CONTINGENT ON THE CITY COUNCIL ADOPTION OF THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

Pastor Gregory Johnson, co-founder of AUHS, commented on the agenda item.

(13) CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- a. PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MINAGAR & ASSOCIATES, INC. (M&A) FOR LOCAL ROADWAY SAFETY PLAN (LRSP) DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZATION FOR STANDARD CONTINGENCIES

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a Professional Consultant Services Agreement with M&A to prepare the LRSP and provide grant funding advisory services, in a form approved by the City Attorney. The term of the agreement is for four months with a not-to-exceed contract amount of \$54,781; and authorize standard contingencies of 10% (\$5,478) and up to a 180-day term extension pursuant to the City's Purchasing and Contracting Guidelines, to be utilized if approved by the Public Works Director.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

- b. MAINTENANCE SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MARIPOSA LANDSCAPES, INC. (MARIPOSA) FOR CITYWIDE LANDSCAPING OF PARKS AND MEDIANS AND RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

It was moved by VICE MAYOR HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS to authorize the Interim City Manager to enter into a Maintenance Services Agreement with Mariposa to provide citywide landscape maintenance services, in a form approved by the City Attorney. The term of the agreement is for one year with no more than three additional one-year extensions; authorize standard contingencies of 10% (\$40,394) and up to a 180-day term extension pursuant to the City's Purchasing and Contracting Guidelines, to be utilized if approved by the Public Works Director; and adopt Resolution No. 2022-09-6707.

Resolution No. 2022-09-6707, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIGNAL HILL, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE ADOPTED BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

c. PROCESS TO FILL A PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSIONER VACANCY

It was moved by COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to direct staff reach out to the recent list of Parks and Recreation Commission candidates to confirm their interest and appoint one Parks and Recreation Commissioner to serve the unexpired term through May 31, 2022 at the October 11 City Council meeting. Straw vote will be conducted in the order of email response from the candidates.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

(14) CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. CONTINUANCE OF THE PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 AND FINDINGS RELATED TO AB 361 EXEMPTING THE CITY FROM BROWN ACT TELECONFERENCING RULES
- b. WARRANT REGISTER DATED SEPTEMBER 13, 2022
- c. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

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

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

(15) COUNCIL AGENDA--NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Woods commented on the City's e-newsletter.

Council Member Wilson reported on his attendance at the League of California Cities Conference on September 8, 2022.

Council Member Copeland and Vice Mayor Hansen wished Mayor Jones an early Happy Birthday.

It was motioned by MAYOR JONES and seconded by VICE MAYOR HANSEN to place discussion items regarding the following for a future City Council agenda: A staff report on air, water, and land environmental conditions and suggestions on improvements; a staff report on the status and mission of the Diversity Coalition Committee; a staff report on the City's current communication strategies; and a staff report to update the public on safety.

Vice Mayor Hansen and Mayor Jones discussed Mayor Jones' motions and priorities.

Mayor Jones reported on his attendance at the League of California Cities Conference on September 8, 2022.

Vice Mayor Hansen and Mayor Jones announced the City's first State of the City event on October 27, 2022.

(16) ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by VICE MAYOR HANSEN and seconded by COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND to adjourn tonight's meeting to the next regular meeting of the Signal Hill City Council to be held on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. (hybrid meeting format, including in-person, and video and teleconference participation options). Instructions to participate in the meeting will be provided on the meeting agenda.

The following vote resulted:

AYES: MAYOR JONES
VICE MAYOR HANSEN
COUNCIL MEMBER COPELAND
COUNCIL MEMBER WILSON
COUNCIL MEMBER WOODS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

MAYOR JONES adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

KEIR JONES
MAYOR

Attest:

CARMEN R. BROOKS
CITY CLERK