

**MINUTES OF A
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF ROLLING HILLS, CALIFORNIA
MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2021**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Rolling Hills met via Zoom Teleconference on the above date at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Bea Dieringer presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Pieper, Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer, Mirsch and Wilson
Absent: Black (Joined the meeting at approximately 8:10 PM)
Staff Present: Elaine Jeng, City Manager
Meredith T. Elguira, Planning & Community Services Director
Terry Shea, Finance Director
Michael Jenkins, City Attorney

3. OPEN AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT WELCOME

NONE

4. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

4A REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 12, 2021

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer motioned to approve the minutes as amended and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Wilson.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Pieper, Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer, Mirsch,
and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

5A PAYMENT OF BILLS

**5B CITY OF ROLLING HILLS LETTERS IN SUPPORT OF SB 765 ADU
SETBACK (STERN) AND AB 1053 CITY SELECTION COMMITTEES
QUORUM AND TELECONFERENCING (GABRIEL)**

- 5C CITY OF ROLLING HILLS OPPOSITION LETTER TO AB 1372 RIGHT TO TEMPORARY SHELTER (MURATSUCHI)**
- 5D FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 2021**
- 5E CONSIDER AND APPROVE TIME EXTENSION REQUEST FOR STORM HILL SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS AGREEMENT**
- 5F CONSIDER AND APPROVE AMENDED CITY MANAGER'S EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT**

MOTION: Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer motioned to approve the consent calendar and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Mirsch.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Pieper, Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

6. CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

- 6A PRESENTATION OF NEW MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO-TEM**
- 6B PRESENTATION TO MAYOR PIEPER IN RECOGNITION OF HIS SERVICE DURING HIS 2020-2021 TERM AS MAYOR**
- 6C COMMENTS FROM OUTGOING MAYOR**

MOTION: Mayor Pieper motioned to nominate Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer to become the new Mayor and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Mirsch.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Pieper, Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

MOTION: Councilmember Mirsch motioned to nominate Councilmember Black to become the new Mayor Pro Tem and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Pieper. Mayor Dieringer recommended an appointment of Councilmember Black as the new Mayor Pro Tem by acclamation.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Pieper, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

COMMENTS:

Mayor Dieringer thanked Councilmember Pieper for his accomplishments, support and leadership, especially during the pandemic.

Councilmember Wilson thanked Councilmember Pieper for the way he conducted meetings, ability to get consensus and for his leadership during the pandemic.

Councilmember Mirsch echoed Councilmember Wilson's statement and recognized Councilmember Pieper's maturation in becoming a better leader over the years.

Councilmember Pieper thanked the Councilmembers for their kind words.

7. COMMISSION ITEMS

NONE

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

**8A CONSIDER AND ADOPT AN URGENCY ORDINANCE AND
INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8.36 OF TITLE 8
OF THE ROLLING HILLS MUNICIPAL CODE, FLOODPLAIN
MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS, FOR COMPLIANCE UNDER
THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM**

Planning and Community Services Director Meredith Elguira presented the item.

MOTION: Councilmember Mirsch motioned to waive the full reading and adopt Ordinance 370U and introduce and waive full reading of Ordinance 370 amending the City of Rolling Hills Municipal Code Chapter 8.36 and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Wilson.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Pieper, Mirsch and Wilson

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

9. OLD BUSINESS

**9A REVIEW PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED CITY HALL ADA
IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT RESTROOM LAYOUT OPTIONS**

City Manager Jeng presented the agenda item.

Discussions ensued among the Councilmembers.

Councilmember Pieper asked for costs for the two proposed options to help guide final decision.

MOTION: Councilmember Pieper motioned to direct staff to provide comprehensive costs for the two options to help guide final decision and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Mirsch.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Pieper, Mirsch, and Wilson
NOES: COUCCILMEMBERS: Black
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

10. NEW BUSINESS

10A PRESENTATION BY PALOS VERDES PENINSULA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT ON REOPENING SCHOOLS

PVPUSD Superintendent Cherniss discussed the reopening of all schools full-day by the end of April for K-12 for six weeks. The District is currently preparing for next year's opening. The District will also offer a free "Jump Start Program" two weeks prior to next academic year to help students catch up with Mathematics and English and will plan on other support programs to help students throughout the year. Additionally, the District will try to address the continuance of remote learning for families who would like to continue in remote learning. Superintendent Cherniss also stated that the District is addressing the drop in student population, 400-500 students last year, and its impact to the budget.

School Board Member Linda Reid informed the City Council of School Board Member Jeff Frankel's passing and how his position will be filled. Board Member Reid also mentioned that most schools will be operating four days a week starting April 26, 2021. All students under the age of 18 will receive free meals.

10B CONSIDER FEE WAIVER REQUEST FOR A MIXED-USE APPLICATION AT 24 CINCHRING

Planning and Community Services Director Meredith Elguira presented the agenda item.

Ms. Mitzi Nakamura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nakamura, provided background history.

MOTION: Mayor Dieringer motioned to direct staff to determine if the \$3,000 paid for an Appeal and bring back findings to the City Council if the \$3,000 did not pay for an Appeal and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Pieper.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Pieper, Mirsch, and Wilson
NOES: COUCCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

10C REQUEST BY RESIDENT JUDITH HAENEL TO ALLOW RESIDENTS TO PURCHASE MEMORIAL BRICKS TO BE PLACED ON WALKING PATHS IN AND AROUND THE CITY HALL CAMPUS

Resident Judith Haenel presented the agenda item.

MOTION: Mayor Dieringer moved to bring back the item at a later date by acclamation.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Mayor Pro Tem Black, Pieper, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

10D REVIEW SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE FEE INCREASE FOR FY 2021-22 AND CONSIDER SETTING PROPOSITION 218 REQUIRED PROTEST HEARING DATE

City Manager Jeng and Finance Director Terry Shea presented the agenda item.

Discussions ensued among the Councilmembers.

Resident Alfred Visco stated he would like to see the trash services fee reduced to zero.

MOTION: Councilmember Pieper motioned to continue the trash subsidy and absorb the increase and motion was seconded by Councilmember Black.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Mayor Pro Tem Black, Pieper and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mirsch
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

10E CONSIDER AND APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH WORLDWIDE PRODUCTIONS LLC TO PRODUCE HOME HARDENING EDUCATIONAL VIDEOS

City Manager Jeng presented the agenda item.

Resident Debra Shrader advocated for an informational video that is representative of the City of Rolling Hills.

Block Captain Arlene Honbo stated that using videos, accessible to residents, will help reach the Block Captain's goal of hardening 100 homes this year.

Councilmember Pieper suggested breaking up the videos into short pieces.

Mayor Dieringer listed several home hardening videos available on the internet and inquired about utilizing these available videos as opposed to spending money on the proposed project. A discussion of the benefits of the project ensued.

MOTION: Councilmember Pieper motioned to approve \$9,550 to produce the videos and motion was seconded by Councilmember Wilson.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Pieper, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Black
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

10F CONSIDER AND APPROVE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH MNS ENGINEERS FOR ASSISTANCE WITH FEMA/CAL-OES GRANT APPLICATIONS.

Planning and Community Services Director Meredith Elguira presented the agenda item.

MOTION: Councilmember Pieper motioned to approve the funding and motion was seconded by Councilmember Mirsch.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Mayor Pro Tem Black, Pieper, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

11. MATTERS FROM THE CITY COUCIL AND MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORTS

11A VACCINATION PASSPORT/BADGE TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS FOR RESIDENTS THAT HAVE RECEIVED THE COVID-19 VACCINATION. (COUNCILMEMBER BLACK)

Mayor Pro Tem Black presented the agenda item and explained that the optional program puts people's mind at ease and encourages people to get vaccinated.

Resident Judith Haenel stated her opposition to the proposed program.

MOTION: Councilmember Mirsch motioned to direct staff to research cost, bring back findings and provide recommendations to the City Council on how to move forward with the program and motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Black.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Pro Tem Black and Mirsch
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Pieper and Wilson
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

11B AMENDED SB 9 HOUSING DEVELOPMENT: APPROVALS (MAYOR PRO TEM DIERINGER)

Mayor Dieringer presented the agenda item and suggested sending another letter opposing the amended SB 9.

MOTION: Councilmember Wilson motioned to approve sending a letter opposing SB 9 and motion was seconded by Councilmember Mirsch.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Mayor Pro Tem Black, Pieper, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

COMMENTS:

In other matters, Councilmember Mirsch asked to put pending bills that could impact the community on the agenda, for discussion..

11C ASSEMBLY CONSIDERS BALLOT MEASURE TO NULLIFY STATE INFLUENCE OVER ZONING (MAYOR PRO TEM DIERINGER)

Mayor Dieringer presented the agenda item and suggested sending a letter supporting the proposed ballot measure.

MOTION: Councilmember Wilson motioned to send a letter of support of the ballot and motion was seconded by Councilmember Pieper.

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Dieringer, Mayor Pro Tem Black, Pieper, Mirsch and Wilson
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

COMMENTS:

In other matters, Mayor Dieringer suggested adding SB 210 for discussion at the next City Council meeting.

In other matters, Councilmember Mirsch explained to the City Council that the Vegetation in the Canyon Management Focus Group meeting date was moved up to April 14, 2021 from the original date of April 15, 2021 to avoid conflict with RHCA's scheduled Board Meeting. The meeting was rescheduled to be as inclusive as possible and get as many residents and Board members to attend the Focus Group meeting. The new date was advertised in the Blue Newsletter and notices were sent out about the new date.

12. **MATTERS FROM STAFF**

NONE

13. **CLOSED SESSION**

NONE

14. **ADJOURNAMENT**

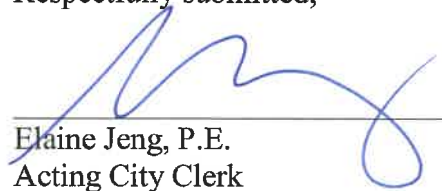
Hearing no further business before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 PM.

Next regular meeting: Monday, April 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via City's website's link at:
<https://www.rolling-hills.org/government/agenda/index.php>

Zoom access:

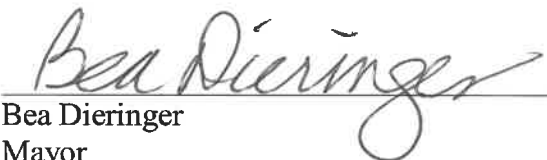
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Respectfully submitted,



Elaine Jeng, P.E.
Acting City Clerk

Approved,



Bea Dieringer
Mayor