



Minutes
Rolling Hills City Council
Monday, November 13, 2023
Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Rolling Hills met in person on the above date at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Wilson presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Black, Dieringer, Pieper, Mayor Pro Tem Mirsch, Mayor Wilson
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Staff Present:	Karina Bañales, City Manager Christian Horvath, City Clerk / Executive Assistant to the City Manager John Signo, Planning & Community Services Director Pat Donegan, City Attorney

Mayor Wilson recognized new City Manager Karina Bañales at her first official meeting and provided her with an opportunity to speak.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – City Manager Bañales

4. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – NONE

5. APPROVE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Black, seconded by Councilmember Pieper to approve the order of the agenda.
Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

6. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS (SUPPLEMENTAL) – NONE

7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS – NONE

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8.A. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 13, 2023

8.B. APPROVE MOTION TO READ BY TITLE ONLY AND WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS LISTED ON THE AGENDA

8.C. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING CITY COUNCIL MINUTES: OCTOBER 23, 2023 REGULAR MEETING; NOVEMBER 7, 2023 SPECIAL FIELD TRIP MEETING

8.D. PAYMENT OF BILLS

- 8.E. REPUBLIC SERVICES RECYCLING TONNAGE AND COMPLAINT REPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2023**
- 8.F. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 1352 AUTHORIZING A BUDGET MODIFICATION TO INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS BY \$7,600 IN THE SOUTH BAY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION ACCOUNT FUNDED FROM AVAILABLE GENERAL FUND RESERVES FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO LOCAL VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE COMMUNITY BENEFITS AND SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC**
- 8.G. RECEIVE AND FILE MEASURE W, MUNICIPAL SAFE CLEAN WATER (SCW) ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23**
- 8.H. RECEIVE AND FILE SUBMITTAL OF THE ANNUAL MUNICIPAL STORMWATER REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23**
- 8.I. PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER DIERINGER**

Motion by Councilmember Black, seconded by Councilmember Pieper to approve Consent Calendar except for Item 8I. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

9. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – NONE

- 8.I. APPROVE REQUEST FROM ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION TO EXECUTE A REVISED LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH COX BUSINESS**

Motion by Councilmember Pieper, seconded by Councilmember Black to approve as presented. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

10. COMMISSION ITEMS

- 10.A. ZONING CASE NO. 23-049: SITE PLAN REVIEW FOR A 1,957-SQUARE-FOOT ADDITION TO AN EXISTING RESIDENCE, AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ADD 244 SQUARE FEET TO AN EXISTING POOL HOUSE, LOCATED AT 19 PORTUGUESE BEND ROAD IN ZONING CASE NO. 23-049 (LOT 80-RH) (HTJGDB/SIU)**

Presentation by Planning & Community Services Director John Signo

Motion by Councilmember Pieper, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Mirsch to receive and file. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 11.A. ZONING CASE NO. 22-51: SITE PLAN REVIEW TO CONSTRUCT A NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE WITH A BASEMENT, ATTACHED GARAGE, FIVE-FOOT-HIGH RETAINING WALLS, NON-EXEMPT GRADING, AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS; VARIANCES TO CONSTRUCT: (1) A SWIMMING POOL/SPA IN THE FRONT YARD, (2) RETAINING WALLS EXCEEDING AN AVERAGE OF 2 1/2 FEET IN HEIGHT, (3) RETAINING WALLS IN THE FRONT YARD, AND (4) NONEXEMPT GRADING EXPORT ON A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4 POPPY TRAIL, ROLLING HILLS, CA 90274 (LOT 17-A-PT) (ARVIDSON), AND FINDING THE PROJECT CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

Presentation by Planning & Community Services Director John Signo

Comment on behalf of applicant:

Karin Burger, LA County Public Works, Geotechnical and Materials Engineering Division

Michael Dorta, Senior Civil Engineer, LA County Public Works, Lomita District Office

Dan Bolton, Project Civil Engineer, Bolton Engineering Corp.

John Petross, Project Engineering Geologist, GMU Geotechnical, Inc.

Criss Gunderson, Project Architect

Public Comment: Nikos Constant, John Lacey, Mark Minkes

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mirsch, seconded by Mayor Wilson to continue this item and direct staff to work with the applicant to conduct an initial study and bring the results back. Motion failed with the following vote:

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

Motion by Councilmember Black, seconded by Councilmember Dieringer to accept the recommendation of approval with the resolution as drafted with direction to staff and the City Attorney's office to include a condition of approval that requires the applicant to defend and indemnify the city in the event of any challenge to the decision. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

12. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

13. NEW BUSINESS

- 13.A. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AWARDED A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO VCI CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR PROVIDING CONSTRUCTION SERVICES ON THE 20C PORTION OF THE CREST ROAD EAST FIRE PREVENTION POWER LINE UNDERGROUNDING PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$577,069.90 FUNDED BY FEMA HAZARD MITIGATION PROGRAM #DR4344-526-112R, AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AND FINDING THE PROJECT CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**

Presentation by City Clerk / Executive Assistant to the City Manager Christian Horvath

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mirsch, seconded by Councilmember Black to approve as presented and direct City staff to award and execute the contract, subject to approval from the City Attorney, upon confirmation from FEMA/CalOES regarding grant extension request. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

14. MATTERS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

14.A VERBAL REPORT FROM THE AD HOC FIRE FUEL COMMITTEE ON THE OCTOBER 20, 2023 MEETING

Presentation by Councilmember Dieringer

Public Comment: Alfred Visco, Marian Visco

Motion by Councilmember Dieringer, seconded by Councilmember Pieper to table for further discussion until receipt of further information from the Los Angeles County Fire Department relating to initial fire fuels study. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

15. MATTERS FROM STAFF

15.A UPDATE ON POLE SITING LOCATIONS SPECIFIC TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR AN EMERGENCY OUTDOOR SIREN SYSTEM BASED ON FEEDBACK FROM THE OCTOBER 23, 2023 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Presentation by City Clerk / Executive Assistant to the City Manager Christian Horvath

Public Comment: Melissa McNabb

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Mirsch, seconded by Councilmember Black to receive and file. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

16. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – NONE

17. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – NONE

18. ADJOURNMENT: 10:08 P.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 p.m on November 13, 2023. The next regular adjourned meeting of the City Council is scheduled to be held on Monday, December 14, 2023 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 2 Portuguese Bend Road, Rolling Hills, California. It will also be available via City's website link at: <https://www.rolling-hills.org/government/agenda/index.php>

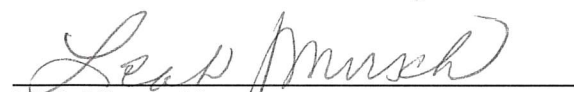
All written comments submitted are included in the record and available for public review on the City website.

Respectfully submitted,



Christian Horvath, City Clerk

Approved,



Leah Mirsch, Mayor

