



Minutes  
Rolling Hills City Council  
Monday, September 9, 2024  
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 7:16 p.m. Mayor Mirsch presiding.

**2. ROLL CALL**

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| Councilmembers Present: | Wilson, Dieringer, Mayor Mirsch                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Councilmembers Absent:  | Black, Pieper                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Staff Present:          | Karina Bañales, City Manager<br>Christian Horvath, City Clerk / Executive Assistant to the City Manager<br>John Signo, Planning & Community Services Director<br>Samantha Crew, Management Analyst<br>Pat Donegan, City Attorney |

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – City Manager Bañales**

**4. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – NONE**

**5. APPROVE ORDER OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Mayor Mirsch, seconded by Councilmember Dieringer to move Items 16 and 17 after Item 7, and move Items 15B and 15C after Item 9. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**6. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS (SUPPLEMENTAL)**

Motion by Councilmember Dieringer, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to receive and file Blue Folder Items 7A and 12A. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Public Comment: Shea Lapin, Ann Bellis, Alfred Visco

Mayor Mirsch moved to Item 16.

**16. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – 7:41 P.M.**

**16.A. EXISTING LITIGATION - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(1) THE CITY FINDS, BASED ON ADVICE FROM LEGAL COUNSEL, THAT DISCUSSION IN OPEN SESSION WILL**

**PREJUDICE THE POSITION OF THE CITY IN THE LITIGATION. (1 CASE) a. NAME OF CASE:  
CONNIE ANDERSEN, ET AL. V. CALIFORNIA WATER COMPANY, ET AL. CASE NO.:  
24STCV20953**

**17. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 8:58 P.M.**

City Attorney Donegan noted there was no reportable action. Mayor Mirsch moved back to Item 8.

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**8.A. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024**

**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: AUGUST 26, 2024 REGULAR  
MEETING**

**8.D. PAYMENT OF BILLS**

**8.E. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 1378 AMENDING A REIMBURSEMENT POLICY IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH GOVERNMENT CODE 53232.2 AND 53232.3 AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 1304**

Motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Dieringer to approve the Consent Calendar.  
Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**9. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

Mayor Mirsch moved to Item 15B.

**15. MATTERS FROM STAFF**

**15.B. RECEIVE AND FILE A PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS REPORT**

Presentation by Management Analyst Samantha Crew

Public Comment: Alfred Visco, Ann Bellis, Marian Visco

Motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Dieringer to receive and file. Motion carried  
unanimously with the following vote:

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

Mayor Mirsch requested agendaizing a Council discussion regarding emergency preparation for potential loss  
of utilities and development of proactive plans, including but not limited to joint meetings with the Rolling Hills

Community Association and /or Council subcommittees in advance of any potential issues similar to what has happened in a neighboring municipality.

**15.C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SEND A LETTER TO CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE CITY**

Presentation by City Manager Karina Bañales

Public Comment: Alfred Visco

Motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Mayor Mirsch to send letter as is and accept California Water Service's recommendations as presented. Motion carried with the following vote:

AYES: Wilson, Mayor Mirsch  
NOES: Dieringer  
ABSENT: Black, Pieper

Mayor Mirsch moved back to Item 10.

**10. COMMISSION ITEMS – NONE**

**11. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE**

**12. OLD BUSINESS**

**12.A. UPDATE ON THE CITY HALL ADA IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND PACIFIC ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING'S INC. (PAE) REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL BUDGET TO COMPLETE RESPONSES TO PLAN REVIEW COMMENTS; ADOPT BY RESOLUTION NO. 1379 AUTHORIZING A FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET MODIFICATION TO APPROPRIATE \$4,000.00 IN THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND FUNDED FROM A TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND RESERVES AND APPROVE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PAE COVERING ADDITIONAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY HALL ADA IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

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

Public Comment: Alfred Visco, Mayor Mirsch read a letter submitted by the Women's Club of Rolling Hills

Motion by Councilmember Dieringer to approve as presented. Motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion by Councilmember Dieringer, seconded by Councilmember Wilson to continue the item to the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

**13. NEW BUSINESS – NONE**

**14. MATTERS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL**

**14.A. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADD A CITY COUNCIL MEETING DURING THE SECOND FULL WEEK OF NOVEMBER AND CONFIRM ATTENDANCE FOR THE NOVEMBER 25, 2024 CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION (MAYOR MIRSCH)**

Presentation by City Manager Karina Bañales

City Clerk / Executive Assistant to the City Manager Christian Horvath

The Council provided direction to reserve scheduling of a potential City Council meeting, if needed, between November 12 and 14 depending on availability of Councilmember Black.

**15. MATTERS FROM STAFF**

**15.A. APPROVE SOUTH BAY CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY'S ANNUAL REQUEST FOR A \$600 CONTRIBUTION IN FISCAL YEAR 24/25**

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

Motion by Councilmember Wilson, seconded by Councilmember Dieringer to approve a \$600 contribution. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

AYES: Wilson, Dieringer, Mayor Mirsch

NOES: None

ABSENT: Black, Pieper

**18. ADJOURNMENT: 10:39 P.M.**

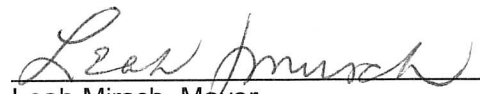
The meeting was adjourned in memory of retired Councilmember and Mayor Allen Lay at 10:39 p.m. on September 9, 2024. The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled to be held on Monday, September 23, 2024 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 2 Portuguese Bend Road, 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