



Minutes
Rolling Hills City Council
Monday, May 28, 2025
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 7:04 p.m. Mayor Pieper presiding.

2. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:	Mirsch, Black, Dieringer, Mayor Pieper
Councilmembers Absent:	Wilson
Staff Present:	Karina Bañales, City Manager Christian Horvath, City Clerk / Executive Assistant to the City Manager Samantha Crew, Management Analyst Nicolas Papajohn, City Attorney

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer

4. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS – NONE

5. APPROVE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Pieper moved to revise the order of the agenda with Item 13A preceding Item 11A. Without objection, so ordered.

6. BLUE FOLDER ITEMS (SUPPLEMENTAL)

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer, seconded by Councilmember Mirsch to receive and file Blue Folder Item 7A. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comment: Alfred Visco

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8.A. APPROVE AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING FOR THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 28, 2025

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 MINUTES OF MAY 12, 2025: CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

8.D. PAYMENT OF BILLS

8.E. PULLED BY COUNCILMEMBER MIRSCH

Councilmember Mirsch pointed out some discrepancies in the data presented and red tag definitions. City Manager Bañales noted she would work with Republic Services to correct or update.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer, seconded by Councilmember Mirsch to approve the Consent Calendar except for Item 8E. Motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

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

9. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – NONE

8.E. REPUBLIC SERVICES RECYCLING TONNAGE AND COMPLAINT REPORTS FOR MARCH 2025

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

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

10. COMMISSION ITEMS – NONE

Mayor Pieper moved to Item 13A

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.A. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 387 DESIGNATING FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES WITHIN THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS, CALIFORNIA BASED ON MAPS PROVIDED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION AND AMENDING TITLE 15 (BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION) OF THE ROLLING HILLS MUNICIPAL CODE, AND FINDING THE ORDINANCE NOT SUBJECT TO CEQA

Presentation by Management Analyst Crew
LA County Assistant Fire Chief Brian Kane

Public Comment: Alfred Visco, Melissa McNabb

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

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

Mayor Pieper moved to Item 11A

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS

11.A. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 386 AMENDING CHAPTER 17.16 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE HEIGHT LIMITS OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL HOMES,

**STABLES AND BARN; AND FINDING THE ACTION TO BE STATUTORILY EXEMPT FROM
CEQA UNDER SECTION 21080.17 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE**

Presentation by City Manager Bañales

Public Comment: Alfred Visco, Judith Haenel, Kristen Raig

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

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

12. OLD BUSINESS – NONE

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.B. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED EMPLOYEE SALARY SCHEDULE AND JOB CLASSIFICATION MODIFICATIONS

Presentation by City Manager Bañales

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Dieringer, seconded by Councilmember Mirsch to adopt the updated salary schedule and classifications but maintain the existing salary range for the Management Analyst and Administrative Assistant positions; approve replacement of the Planning Director classification with Planning Manager, eliminate the Administrative Clerk/Bookkeeper position, and bring Code Enforcement in-house under the new consolidated classification of Code Compliance Office/Planning Technician and; direct staff to begin recruitment for the revised and consolidated positions. Motion carried with the following vote:

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

14. MATTERS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL – NONE

15. MATTERS FROM STAFF

15.A. RECEIVE AND FILE A PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS UPDATE

Presentation by Management Analyst Crew

Public Comment: Alfred Visco, Judith Haenel

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

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

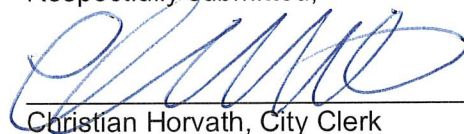
16. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – 9:06 P.M.

- 16.A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - 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. (3 CASES)
A. NAME OF CASE: CONNIE ANDERSEN, ET AL. V. CALIFORNIA WATER COMPANY, ET AL. (SEAVIEW CASE) CASE NO.: 24STCV20953
B. NAME OF CASE: CITY OF ROLLING HILLS V. SCE CPUC DOCKET NO. C.24-10-008
C. NAME OF CASE: CITY OF ROLLING HILLS V. SOCALGAS CPUC DOCKET NO. C.24-10-009
- 16.B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - INITIATION OF 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) RECOMMENDATION: NONE
- 16.C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - INITIATION OF LITIGATION A CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(C) AND (D)(4) REGARDING THE DECISION OF WHETHER TO INITIATE LITIGATION (1 CASE) RECOMMENDATION: NONE
17. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 9:29 P.M.
18. ADJOURNMENT: 9:29 P.M.

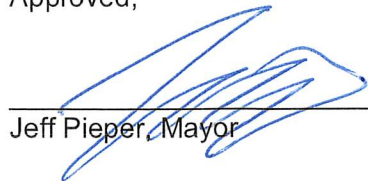
The meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m. on May 28, 2025 in memory of Dr. Paul Straub, a longtime resident on Packsaddle East. The next regular meeting of the City Council is scheduled to be held on Monday, June 9, 2025 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 2 Portuguese Bend 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,


Jeff Pieper, Mayor