

CITY OF HIDDEN HILLS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall

Monday, November 10, 2008

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Hidden Hills was duly held in the Council Chambers at the City Hall, 6165 Spring Valley Road, Hidden Hills, California 91302 on Monday, November 10, 2008 at the hour of 7:30 p.m. Mayor Steve Freedland called the meeting to order and presided thereover after leading the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Council:	Mayor Steve Freedland Council Member Jim Cohen Council Member Monty E. Fisher Council Member Stuart E. Siegel
Staff:	City Engineer Dirk Lovett City Manager Cherie L. Paglia
Absent:	Mayor Pro Tem Larry Weber

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Fisher and unanimously carried, it was resolved to excuse the absence of Mayor Pro Tem Weber.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Cohen and unanimously carried, it was resolved that the agenda for the November 10, 2008 regular meeting be approved as submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Freedland made the following announcements:

On March 3, 2009, there will be a City election for two Council seats, each for a four year term; today opened the nomination period; nomination papers can be picked up at City Hall anytime between now and December 5th during normal office hours (9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.) Monday through Friday; those papers must be returned, with the proper signatures, by 5:00 p.m. on 12/5/08; call the City Hall staff for details.

City Hall, the Community Center, and the Building & Safety Department will all be closed and there will be no inspections on Tuesday, November 11th, in honor of Veterans Day.

Happy birthday to Council Member Cohen (11/11).

Happy birthday to his daughter Kelsey Freedland (11/12).

Council Member Fisher added that today (11/10) was the 233rd anniversary of the Marine Corp.

AUDIENCE

There were no questions or comments at this time.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. City Council Minutes – October 27, 2008**
- B. Demand List**

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Cohen and unanimously carried (4-0) on roll call vote, it was resolved to approve items A and B of the consent calendar as submitted.

MATTERS FROM CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Undergrounding of Overhead Utilities – Update

City Engineer Dirk Lovett presented the following staff report:

On December 11, 2006, staff was directed to conduct right-of-way surveys and obtain engineering drawings for the undergrounding of overhead utilities at two different locations – Round Meadow and Long Valley, and Jed Smith between Robert Guy and Jacob Hamblin; the right-of-way survey was completed and forwarded to Southern California Edison (SCE), which completed design plans on July 5, 2007; it is customary for SCE to prepare preliminary plans, which are forwarded to the other utilities using the same poles; the other utilities then prepare their own plans, based on the SCE plans, normally to be in a common trench; the SCE preliminary plans were completed and forwarded to Charter Cable and AT&T on 8/5/08; design plans are expected from each of them by the end of this month; staff will then develop a cost estimate and forward to the City Council for direction, prior to advertising for construction bids.

Mayor Freedland pointed out that the Council has been setting aside money each year for undergrounding, with that set aside currently at \$825,000. City Engineer Lovett confirmed that amount would cover one or the other of the undergrounding areas under consideration.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

**Potential Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c):
Number of Potential Cases: 1**

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Fisher and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn to closed session at 7:34 p.m., at which time the City Attorney announced that the Council in closed session would be discussing the item listed above.

Upon MOTION of Council Member Siegel, seconded by Council Member Cohen and unanimously carried, it was resolved to return to open session at 7:54 p.m., at which time the City Attorney announced that the Council in closed session discussed the item listed above, and that no reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, upon MOTION of Council Member Cohen, seconded by Council Member Fisher and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn the regular meeting of November 10, 2008 at 7:55 p.m.

Steve Freedland, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cherie L. Paglia, City Manager/City Clerk