

1995 12 01 Retreat

LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL

RETREAT MINUTES

December 1, 1995

Lakewood Gardens

12317 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

The meeting was called to order at 9:50 a.m.

Councilmembers Present: 7 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis, Colleen Henry, Jose Palmas, Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

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City Manager Rohlfs introduced Ms. Sylvia Maine, facilitator for the workshop.

A video was shown on the Legal Dos and Dents.

General Discussion - Brainstorming

The Council brainstormed concerns about the Council=s rules and procedures; public discussion at Council meetings; Council deliberations at Council meeting and study sessions; forums for Council to discuss issues that are of a sensitive nature prior to discussion at regular meetings.

The Council then brainstormed service delivery strategies as it related to upcoming negotiations for police services.

Assessing values, developing a mission statement and setting goals.

City Manager Rohlfs introduced Lt. Col. Dick Muri who assisted with facilitating the discussion on assessing values and developing a mission statement for a strategic plan. After the brainstorming session, Council and staff drafted the following values for the City of Lakewood:

Responsive to all

Honest and open government

Quality customer service

Environmentally responsible

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Fiscally responsible

Innovative/creative

After much discussion on developing a mission statement, two mission statements were drafted:

1) To serve the citizens of the City of Lakewood by providing municipal services in a responsible and responsive manner.

2) To serve the citizens of Lakewood by efficiently and effectively managing its human and financial resources to create and preserve quality of life for all of its citizens - making Lakewood a world-class city.

The Council then brainstormed what the vision for Lakewood should be by the year 2020.

The Council then discussed goals and objectives and drafted a 1-3 year goal as follows:

Goal: Community where citizens can feel safe and secure.

Objective: comprehensive crime prevention plan to include prevention, intervention, and corrective action by January 1998.

Objective: provide police services by May 1996

- neighborhood policing contract
- set up measurement system with the contract
- develop traffic and criminal codes
- targeted emphasis.

Objective: decide on how fire services will be provided by 1997.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CITY CLERK

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