LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MINUTES

January 16, 1996

Clover Park School District Board Room

Student Services Center

10903 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 10:40 p.m.

<u>Councilmembers Present: 6 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis, Colleen Henry, Jose Palmas, and Doug Richardson.</u>

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Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; City Attorney Dan Heid; Finance Director Galen Kidd; and City Clerk Alice Bush.

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Update on Lake Steilacoom and review of response to Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department

City Manager Rohlfs provided the Council with a revised draft letter to the Health Department on the City=s position with regard to solutions to the problems in Lake Steilacoom. He stated that the letter indicates that the City agrees that a long term solution should be pursued and that the City supports the Health Department=s effort to obtain a long term solution that is satisfactory to the Department of Ecology and the Lake Steilacoom residents. Herb Dayton then distributed information on the algae problem

in Lake Steilacoom and updated the Council on events that have taken place with the Department of Ecology to try to remedy the situation.

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Animal Control Contract

City Manager Rohlfs described the Humane Society=s proposal for services they could provide the City of Lakewood and associated costs thereof. He asked for Council=s direction on how to proceed with negotiations with the Humane Society. The Council agreed that the City should stay within the 1996 budget allocations. Councilmember Palmas suggested approaching negotiations from the standpoint of eliminating pain and suffering as a priority and then the budget. Councilmember Davis indicated that the City must also take into consideration the enforcement issues on animal control and regulations that the Council just adopted.

Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 midnight.
BILL HARRISON, MAYOR
ATTEST:
ALICE M. BUSH, CMC
CITY CLERK