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LAKESWOOD CITY COUNCIL

WORKSHOP MINUTES

February 28, 1996

Clover Park School District Board Room

Student Services Center

10903 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 6 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis, Colleen Henry, Jose Palmas, and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmember Excused: 1 - Councilmember Doug Richardson.

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Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; City Attorney Dan Heid; Finance Director Galen Kidd; Community Development Director David Bugher; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Human Resources Administrator Debra Young; and City Clerk Alice Bush.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Palmas at the request of Mayor Harrison.

Mayor Harrison announced that the order of topics on the agenda would be moved out of order to discuss the budget first.

BUDGET REVIEW

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of the 1996 revenue budget and the 1997 preliminary revenue budget. He explained that there is a \$1,049,670 one-time, Law Enforcement levy revenue transfer from the Street Fund to the General Fund occurring in 1996 that wouldn't be occurring in future years. Discussion ensued on the impacts of the budget based on projected revenues and on-going expenditures and the use of one-time revenues for ongoing expenses. He then provided the Council with revenue and expenditure projections through 2001. He indicated that there are additional 1996 expenditures that were not anticipated for including jail services, DISCIS computer system for Municipal court (capital), additional code enforcement

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officer and the pending police services contract. Mayor Harrison requested that staff prepare budget alternatives for Council's consideration. City Manager Rohlfs then distributed proposed salary adjustments for upcoming budgeted positions that have not been filled in the first and second quarter 1996 budget. He indicated that the proposed adjustments are being recommended after a more thorough study of salary comparisons was done with other comparable size cities and towns.

Mayor Harrison then asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to provide public comments.

Speaking before the Council was:

Forrest Thompson, 14716 Portland Avenue SW, spoke about support the business community.

Councilmember Henry left the Council meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Council recessed at 7:40 p.m. and reconvened at 7:55 p.m.

POLICE CONTRACTING UPDATE

City Manager Rohlfs and Hal Young, former transition team member, provided an update on the police contract negotiations. City Manager Rohlfs reviewed the differences in cost and staffing of Pierce County Sheriff's original proposal of \$8,340,450 in December 8, 1995 to their last proposal of \$8,221,290. He explained that the cost difference was basically in the unit cost for staffing and the cost for LESA and investigative services. He then explained LESA's costs for dispatching and records management services. City Manager Rohlfs reviewed the City's proposal of \$8,025,220 for police and LESA services. He explained that the cost differences in the City proposal from the County's proposal were primarily in the areas of reactive patrol and in-house detectives. Discussion ensued on how the City's proposal would impact the budget and what service levels could be reduced to lower costs and still provide an adequate level of service. City Manager Rohlfs asked that Councilmembers let him know if there may be any additional concerns with regard to the City's proposal.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK