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LAKESWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, July 15, 1996

Clover Park School District Board Room

Student Services Center

10903 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 5 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Councilmembers Colleen Henry, JosÃ© Palmas, Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmembers Excused: 2 - Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas and Councilmember Ann Kirk Davis.

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Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; City Attorney Dan Heid; Finance and Systems Director Galen Kidd; Community Development Director David Bugher; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Human Resources Administrator Debra Young; Civil Engineer Ken Gunther; Police Chief Nik Dunbar; Administrative Secretary Juli Neher; and City Clerk Alice Bush.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John Brooks by request of Mayor Harrison.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Masters, 6420 150th St. SW, asked if a yes vote on the memorandum of agreement with Pierce County on the Cross Base Highway project impedes Lakewood's ability to change, readjust or veto routes that are unacceptable to Lakewood.

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Jim Taylor, 8314 Spruce St. SW, spoke in support of the City of Lakewood being an involved partner in the Cross Base Highway project.

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Alan Perkins, Parkland resident, spoke about how the Cross Base Highway project would provide accessibility to Lakewood from surrounding areas.

John Mason, Thorne Lane SW, asked about the proposed plan for the cloverleaf interchange being constructed at Exit 122.

Ester Miller, 11415 Woodbrook Dr. SW, expressed concern that the Cross Base Highway project would displace so many low-income families.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 1, 1996.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of July 8, 1996.

C. Approval of payroll vouchers in the amount of \$86,794.19 for the period June 16-30, 1996.

D. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

1. Economic Development Advisory Board meeting minutes of April 23 and May 28, 1996.

2. Planning Advisory Board meeting minutes of June 26, 1996.

E. [Resolution No. 1996-24](#)

Amendments to the City Council Rules of Procedure.

COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HENRY. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REGULAR AGENDA

ORDINANCES

[Ordinance No. 89](#) amending the Pay and Compensation Plan by adding new positions and establishing uniform salary ranges.

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COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 89. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS.

COUNCILMEMBER PALMAS MOVED TO AMEND EXHIBIT 'A' OF ORDINANCE NO. 89 TO EXCLUDE THE POSITION OF COMMUNITY LIAISON/CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR UNTIL A JOB DESCRIPTION WAS DEVELOPED FOR THE POSITION AND BROUGHT BACK BEFORE THE COUNCIL. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VOICE VOTE ON THE AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 89 WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council recessed at 8:10 p.m. and reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

[Ordinance No. 90](#) amending the Pay and Compensation Plan relative to management time.

COUNCILMEMBER HENRY MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 90. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PALMAS.

VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCILMEMBER HENRY MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL ORDINANCE NO. 91. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ordinance No. 91 creating Section 3.40.030 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to establishing a Community Development change account in the amount of \$400.

COUNCILMEMBER HENRY MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 91. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PALMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion No. 1996-10 approving the decision of the City Council on the Harr Family Homes appeal on the preliminary plat for Lake Louise Place.

COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON MOVED TO APPROVE THE WRITTEN DECISION OF THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE HARR FAMILY HOME APPEAL ON THE PRELIMINARY PLAT OF LAKE LOUISE PLACE. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion No. 1996-11 authorizing the execution of a memorandum of agreement with Pierce County relative to the Cross Base Highway Project.

MAYOR HARRISON MOVED TO TABLE CONSIDERATION OF MOTION NO. 1996-11 UNTIL THE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING OF JULY 22, 1996. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HENRY. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs provided an update on sales tax revenues for the second month. He reported that the amount of sales tax collected in March 1996 totaled \$150,000 and about 450 businesses reported sales tax. In April 1996 the sales tax collected totaled \$200,000 and approximately 750 businesses reported sales tax.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that Court Administrator Bev Ferguson's last day of employment was July 12, 1996. Kathy Westerdahl, the new Court Administrator will begin work on July 22, 1996. He also announced that Ms. Chris Thompson, Associate Attorney will begin work on July 26, 1996.

City Manager Rohlfs explained that a Council dais/bench will be constructed for the City Council Chambers/Court Room for approximately \$8,000-\$12,000. In addition, staff is looking at securing a sound system for the Chambers for approximately \$8,000-\$10,000. He asked Councilmembers to let him know if they had any suggestions on the kind of sound system and microphones they preferred. Also, staff will be securing a screen for presentations for approximately \$1,000.

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City Manager Rohlfs advised that the data sheet for Summerfest is being developed and a draft copy will be distributed to Council on Wednesday, July 17, 1996.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Henry announced that she will be participating in the dunk tank at Summerfest on Sunday, July 21, 1996.

Councilmember Richardson asked if the police have been patrolling and paying additional attention to the churches.

Mayor Harrison expressed his appreciation for the work of the police department in the search efforts for the missing nine year old girl.

Councilmember Palmas reported that a few months ago a citizen had expressed concerns about a private sewer system that was breaking down. He indicated that the response Pierce County provided was that they could not get involved with the situation. The County explained that if a private sewer system provides a benefit to the County for service in unserved areas, then they might have then taken a look at it. Councilmember Palmas asked if there were funds in the budget for Council to attend the National League of Cities conference in San Antonio, Texas. City Manager Rohlfs indicated there were some travel funds available but could not recall the exact dollar amount.

Mayor Harrison requested that in addition to reworking the memorandum of agreement with Pierce County on the Cross Base Highway project, that a meeting be set up with the equestrian group. He also requested that the County be made aware of Lakewood's concerns and that staff bring back a plan on where to go from here.

Councilmember Henry announced that the Mayor will be the grand marshal at the Lakewood Summerfest parade.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK