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LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, July 14, 1997

City of Lakewood

City Council Chambers

10510 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; Deputy City Manager Andy Neiditz; City Attorney Dan Heid; Finance and Systems Director Galen Kidd; Community Development Director David Bugher; Associate Planner David Forte; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Police Chief Rob Masko; Human Resources Administrator Debi Young and General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Forrest Thompson by request of Mayor Harrison.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs noted that the wooden City seal mounted on the wall behind the Council dais was carved by Dick Fichter and is made of several different types of wood. One of the significant types of wood used was the purple heart from Costa Rica.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that on August 4, 1997, nine Councilmembers from Okinawa City will be visiting Lakewood for half a day on their way to Vancouver, B.C. He indicated that they will be in Lakewood at noon on August 4, 1997, and would like to meet Councilmembers at 2:00 p.m. at City Hall. Staff will then take the group on a tour of Lakewood.

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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Review of 1997 Budget status.

Finance and Systems Director Kidd indicated that overall about 43 percent of General Fund dollars have been expended from January through June 1997. He then reviewed General Fund revenues collected thus far.

Discussion ensued on upcoming large expenditures for the second half of 1997 including items such as the GIS system and permitting system.

Mayor Harrison requested staff to develop a checklist of issues that the City will need to discuss with legislators such

as the sales tax equalization issue.

Discussion ensued on dollars that may be available for a City Hall in 1998 and the status of surface water management funds.

Creating Chapter 18.30 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to temporary residential density overlay zones.

Associate Planner Forte explained the proposed zoning for temporary residential density overlays, TR-30, TR-20 and TR-15:

1) The TR-30 (Temporary Residential-30,000) district sets a minimum lot size of 30,000 square feet and a maximum density of 1.45 dwelling units per acre (dua).

2) The TR-20 (Temporary Residential-20,000) district sets a minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet and a maximum density of 2.18 dua.

3) The TR-15 (Temporary Residential-15,000) district sets a minimum lot size of 15,000 square feet and a maximum density of 2.90 dua.

Discussion ensued on the need for retirement properties in the affected areas; and how roads are included in the calculation of lot size.

Associate Planner Forte then reviewed the planned development district boundaries as recommended by the Planning Advisory Board.

Planning Advisory Board Chair Herb Stumpf reported that the majority of the people at the Planning Advisory Board public hearing on July 9, 1997, were in support of the moratorium on short/long plat subdivision and increasing the density requirements in certain areas.

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1997 Human Services project funding process.

Human Resources Administrator Young reviewed the process the Human Services Collaboration Steering Committee will be implementing on rating applications that have been submitted for funding. Twenty funding requests were submitted totaling \$223,220.17. Approximately \$80,000 is allocated in the 1997 budget for human services projects.

Discussion ensued on whether any of the raters had any fiduciary relationship with the applicants; ensuring applicants that are awarded funds provide status reports; and if the process was too cumbersome for applicants.

The Council recessed at 8:40 p.m. and reconvened at 8:55.

Approving a temporary license agreement with Electric Lightwave, Inc.

Mayor Harrison announced that due to staff's need for additional information, this item will not be a discussion item. Instead, it will move forward for Council's consideration at next week's July 21, 1997, City Council meeting.

Calling for a September 16, 1997, special election on the petition for annexation of the Arrowhead/Partridge Glen area to the City of Lakewood; approving the language of the ballot title and appointing individuals to serve on committees to prepare arguments for and against the proposition in the Official Local Voters' Pamphlet.

General Services Director/City Clerk Bush indicated that the proposed resolution calls for a September 16, 1997, election of the Arrowhead/Partridge Glen area to the City of Lakewood, approving the ballot title language and appointing individuals to prepare arguments for and against the proposition in the Pierce County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet.

Discussion ensued on how the names of the individuals were derived and if the individuals have agreed to write the statements.

It was the consensus of the Council to notify the committee members to proceed with writing their statements to meet the August 1, 1997, County Auditor deadline.

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ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE JULY 21, 1997, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Creating Chapter 18.30 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to temporary residential density overlay zones. - (Ordinance)
2. 1997 Human Services project funding process. - (Motion)
3. Approving a temporary license agreement with Electric Lightwave, Inc. - (Motion-Consent Agenda)
4. Calling for a September 16, 1997, special election on the petition for annexation of the Arrowhead/Partridge Glen area to the City of Lakewood; approving the language of the ballot title and appointing individuals to serve on committees to prepare arguments for and against the proposition in the Official Local Voters' Pamphlet. - (Resolution-Consent Agenda)
5. Amending Chapter 18.45 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to the sign code. - (Ordinance)
6. Confirming the appointment of members to the Citizens' Police Advisory Ad Hoc Committee. - (Memorandum)
7. Confirming the appointment of Lakewood representatives to serve on the Tacoma-Pierce County Commission on Children, Youth and Their Families. - (Motion-Consent Agenda)
8. Adopting the Amended 1997 and 1998-2003 Six-Year Transportation Program. - (Resolution-Consent Agenda)
9. Adopting the Interim Non-Motorized Transportation Plan. - (Resolution-Consent Agenda)
10. Awarding a bid for the resurfacing of the Harry Todd Park parking lot. - (Motion-Consent Agenda)

Deputy City Manager Thomas asked if the sign ordinance could include the prohibition of hate and racial signs. She also requested that the sign ordinance include provisions for political signs.

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BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of a memorandum from the Washington City/County Management Association (WCMA) announcing the Annual Awards Program to recognize significant achievements by members of the WCMA. City Manager Rohlfs requested that Councilmembers let him know if there were any suggestions that staff should submit for nomination.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Henry commented that the opening ceremony of "The Moving Wall" at Mountain View Funeral Home was spectacular. She asked that a thank you letter be sent to Mountain View Funeral Home for sponsoring this memorable event.

Councilmember Henry noted that today was "La Bastille Day" at Francoise Dubrulle's gallery.

Councilmember Henry routed a sign-up sheet for Councilmembers to help staff the booth at Summerfest.

Councilmember Thomas expressed concern that she had been hearing by Pierce County that the Council's position

on the Cross Base Highway is being taken lightly.

Councilmember Thomas asked if the Tacoma Audubon Society has contacted staff to make a presentation before City Council. City Manager Rohlfis replied that he had not heard from them.

Councilmember Thomas asked if the Visitor and Convention Bureau could provide Councilmembers with copies of the advertisements they are using to promote Lakewood.

In response to a letter she received regarding bicycle lanes on Steilacoom Boulevard, Councilmember Thomas asked if this could be done. Engineering Manager Larkin indicated that there is not adequate funds or right-of-way for bicycle lanes and sidewalks on Steilacoom Boulevard.

Councilmember Thomas displayed a certificate she received for the City's participation on the McNeil Island Detention Committee. She indicated that if Councilmembers are interested in touring McNeil Island to let her know.

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Councilmember Palmas asked for an update on the status for joining the Rainier Cable Commission. City Manager Rohlfis indicated that this item would be coming back before the Council for consideration.

Mayor Harrison asked Councilmembers to provide Deputy City Manager Neiditz with their suggestions/comments on who should serve on the Citizens' Police Advisory Ad Hoc Committee.

Mayor Harrison also asked Councilmembers to provide General Services Director/City Clerk Bush with their suggestions/comments on the appointment recommendations for serving on the Commission on Children, Youth and Their Families. Mayor Harrison indicated that in the future, the City will conduct its own soliciting and appointment of members to serve on the Commission.

Mayor Harrison announced that the Council would recess to Executive Session not to exceed 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters.

Council recessed at 9:30 p.m. and reconvened at 9:58 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK

