## LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, November 3, 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 7:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: 7 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Colleen Henry; José 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; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Human Resources Administrator Debi Young and General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush.

#### **FLAG SALUTE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Palmas.

### REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs announced that a Korean-based wood manufacturing company, YCA, will be moving into the industrial park next to the YMCA. YCA will be employing 100 individuals.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that the Keep Lakewood Beautiful Committee will be holding a dedication of the Washington Boulevard island on November, 21, 1997, at noon. Mr. Jim Senko, Keep Lakewood Beautiful Committee, reported that the Committee will be having Clover Park Technical College construct the irrigation system on the Gravelly Lake Drive and Nyanza Road traffic island.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that a public hearing on the 1998 Budget is scheduled for November 17, 1997, at 7:00 p.m.

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# PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Youth Advisors' Report.

Youth Advisors Maus and Paskowski reported that a meeting of interested youths is scheduled for November 12, 1997, at 5:00 p.m. to work with the Youth Advisors on community activities.

Youth Advisors Maus and Paskowski reported that the traveling trophy, as a result of last week's Lakes High School and Clover Park High School football game, will be held by Lakes High School.

Youth Advisor Maus indicated that at the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Ad Hoc Advisory Committee the draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan was reviewed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Speaking before the Council were:

Christopher L. Ness, 8941 Gravelly Lake Drive, asked what the Council proposes to do about DJ's Bar and Grill. He expressed concern about hearing gun shots over the weekend and the way in which police officers questioned his background when he called the police for help.

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Jim Senko, Keep Lakewood Beautiful, spoke about cleaning up areas at 112th and Gravelly Lake Drive, Tillicum exit at Thorne Lane, portions of Steilacoom Boulevard, and Ardmore and Meadow Road. He encouraged citizens to participate in the Adopt-a-Site program.

Bill Kittrell, 7814 Emerald Drive, spoke about considering a petition to name the bridge over Thea Foss Waterway "Admiral James S. Russell."

Vicky Beausoleil, 8927 Gravelly Lake Drive SW, spoke about the unsafe environment created by DJ's Bar and Grill and the unresponsiveness of the Police Department.

Stephanie Beausoleil, 8927 Gravelly Lake Drive SW, asked to please shut down DJ's Bar and Grill.

Dixie Shaw, DJ's Bar and Grill owner, spoke about the process for obtaining a liquor license and the operation of DJ's Bar and Grill since she became owner. She spoke in support of the Police Department and expressed concern about the neighbors. She indicated DJ's is adding additional lighting, an additional bouncer and have hired a security firm.

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David Yang, 9115 South Tacoma Way, requested consideration of installing a light at 92nd and South Tacoma Way.

- J. B. Layne, Lakewood resident, spoke about the unsatisfactory road repair on Washington Boulevard.
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- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of October 20, 1997.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Budget Workshop of October 22, 1997.
- C. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Budget Workshop of October 27, 1997.
- D. Approval of payroll vouchers in the amount of \$106,639.58 for the period October 1-15, 1997.
- E. Approval of claim vouchers in the amount of \$921,967.30 for the period ending October 29, 1997.
- F. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:
- 1. Citizens' Police Ad Hoc Advisory Committee meeting minutes of October 7 and 21, 1997.
- 2. Human Services Collaboration Strategic Committee meeting minutes of October 10, 1997.
- 3. Human Services Collaboration Steering Committee meeting minutes of October 14, 1997.
- 4. Parks and Recreation Ad Hoc Advisory Committee meeting minutes of October 2, 1997.

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

#### REGULARAGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
None.
NEW BUSINESS
None.
None.
BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER
None.
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## CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Henry announced that there will be a blue ribbon ceremony at Best Western for their new meeting room on November 12, 1997, at 9:00 a.m.

Councilmember Davis commented on the freight mobility workshops and their importance with regard to transportation conversations with the State legislators. Councilmember Davis commented on the meeting she attended on the siting of the Lakewood Depot. She indicated she will be attending a Technical Advisory Committee meeting on the Narrows Bridge.

Councilmember Richardson announced that citizens interested in attending a Community Forum sponsored by Safe Streets to call City Hall. The Forum will be held on November 8, 1997, at Mt. Tahoma High School from 8:30 a.m. until noon to discuss the ongoing problem of crime.

Councilmember Thomas announced that Lakes High School took second place and Clover Park High School took third place at the Women's District swim meet. She indicated that both Lakes High and Clover Park High schools are expected to go to State competition.

Councilmember Palmas wished Councilmembers and Lillah Stewart and Larry Humphrey good luck in tomorrow's election.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reported that the Human Services Collaboration held a well-attended meeting of human services providers and interested individuals on the requests totaling \$500,000 for human services funding, of which only \$125,000 is available. She indicated that the applications reflect that more agencies are beginning to work together. She reported that the Marketing Committee will be developing a slogan that sends a message of "community." She asked that the Council consider supporting the slogan when it is introduced.

Mayor Harrison thanked staff who organized the Halloween potluck. He then commented on the Lakes High and Clover Park High schools game. He reported on the Crown Bookstore ribbon cutting ceremony over the weekend.

Mayor Harrison announced that he has videotaped a segment expressing support of "Operation Nightwatch."

Mayor Harrison noted that there is a vacancy on the Tacoma-Pierce County Commission on Children, Youth and Their Families.

Mayor Harrison announced that the Joint Council/Legislators meeting is scheduled for December 8, 1997. Mayor Harrison indicated that whenever there is an outpour of citizens speaking on an issue before the Council, that staff

respond back to the citizens to let them know that their concerns are being heard.
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Mayor Harrison encouraged all citizens to vote.
Mayor Harrison announced that Council would recess to executive session for approximately one hour to discuss personnel matters.
Council recessed at 8:10 p.m. and reconvened at 11:00 p.m.
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ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.
BILL HARRISON, MAYOR
ATTEST:
ALICE M. BUSH, CMC
CITY CLERK