LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, February 9, 1998

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 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 6 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; José Palmas; Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmember Excused: 1 - Councilmember Larry Humphrey.

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Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; Deputy City Manager Andrew Neiditz; City Attorney Dan Heid; Finance and Systems Director Galen Kidd; Community Development Director David Bugher; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Interim Police Chief Eileen Bisson; Human Resources & Services Director Debi Young and General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Harrison.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs announced that next week's Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 1998.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that the Parks and Recreation Ad Hoc Advisory Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, February 11, 1998, and some minor changes to the Parks and Recreation Master Plan may be coming before the Council prior to the public hearing on March 2, 1998.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that there will be a meeting of the Tillicum community at the Commencement Bay Rowing Club this week.

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He then announced that the City and the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce will be submitting a joint grant application to Washington State Department of Community Trade and Economic Development for technical assistance to develop a tourism plan.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Authorizing an addendum to the interlocal agreement with Pierce County to extend the term of the agreement to December 31, 2004, for law enforcement services.

Deputy City Manager Neiditz reviewed the changes to the interlocal agreement with Pierce County for law enforcement services. He explained that the changes to the agreement provide for the City and County to recruit for a Police Chief. He announced that in the interim, Major Bisson will be Acting Police Chief for the City of Lakewood.

Mr. Chuck Robbins, Pierce County Public Safety Director and Pierce County Sheriff Mark French expressed their commitment and support for the extension of the law enforcement contract and their willingness to work together in the recruitment and search for a Lakewood Police Chief.

Discussion ensued on the recruitment process; the timeframe for filling the position; and designing police uniforms that identified Lakewood.

Briefing on the Comprehensive Plan Existing Conditions Report.

Principal Planner Blaylock reviewed the Comprehensive Plan time schedule and process.

Joe Cloud, EDAW consultant, presented slides and graphics to show existing conditions and planning issues concerning Lakewood's demographics, land use, economic development, housing, urban design, transportation and utilities.

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Council recessed at 8:40 p.m. and reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

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Ms. Jill Sterret, EDAW, then described proposed alternatives on development. She presented four conceptual options as follows:

#1. Neighborhood Improvement

Lakewood as a suburban bedroom community

#2. Traditional Lakewood

Reinforce the historic core of the City

#3. Highway 99 Corridor Regeneration

Revitalized strip is key to City success

#4. Regional Employment Center

Become a player in regional real estate markets

Ms. Sterret described the key elements to develop each proposed alternative.

Discussion ensued on existing conditions; land use alternative scenarios; and the process for public input in reviewing the alternatives.

Creating Chapter 18.37 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to landscaping and buffering.

Principal Planner Blaylock reviewed the proposed Code changes for landscaping, street trees and buffering regulations.

Discussion ensued on tree removals and significant tree preservation.

Scoping of City Hall Sites Feasibility Report.

City Manager Rohlfs reported that, based on the Council's desire to solicit public input on the proposed four City Hall sites recommended by the City Hall Ad Hoc Committee, staff determined that a feasibility study should be completed

prior to soliciting public input. He then distributed copies of price comparisons of the four potential sites.

Community Development Director Bugher then presented a schematic footprint design of a 20,000 square foot facility on the Colonial Center site.

Discussion ensued on the price comparisons and developing schematic footprint designs for all four proposed sites.

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Establishing a City of Lakewood Events Ad Hoc Committee.

City Manager Rohlfs reviewed the proposed resolution establishing a City Events Ad Hoc Committee. He explained that the Committee would serve as an advisory committee to the Council on City-sponsored events, parades and activities.

Awarding a contract to Ceccanti, Inc., on their bid of \$951,257.85, for the construction of curbs, gutters, sidewalks, bike lanes and planting of street trees on 83rd Avenue SW, 87th Avenue SW, Onyx Drive SW and Garnet Lane SW.

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Engineering Manager Larkin reviewed the proposed contract with Ceccanti, Inc., for the construction of curbs, gutters, sidewalks, bike lanes and planting of street trees on 83rd Avenue SW, 87th Avenue SW, Onyx Drive SW and Garnet Lane SW.

Discussion ensued on the method for funding the proposed construction and the timeframe for completion.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE FEBRUARY 17, 1998, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

- 1. Authorizing an addendum to the interlocal agreement with Pierce County to extend the term of the agreement to December 31, 2004, for law enforcement services. (Motion Consent Agenda)
- 2. Creating Chapter 18.37 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to landscaping and buffering. (Ordinance)
- 3. Establishing a City of Lakewood Events Ad Hoc Committee. (Resolution Consent Agenda)
- 4. Awarding a contract to Ceccanti, Inc., on their bid of \$951,257.85, for the construction of curbs, gutters, sidewalks, bike lanes and planting of street trees on 83rd Avenue SW, 87th Avenue SW, Onyx Drive SW and Garnet Lane SW. (Motion Consent Agenda)
- 5. This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council to consider the extension of the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses for six months.

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- 6. Extending the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses for six months. (Resolution)
- 7. Finalizing Council's action on the appeals of the Hearing Examiner's decision on the Gravellywood Planned Development District. (Case No. LU97012) (Resolution Old Business)

There were no comments.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

None.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Richardson thanked Mayor Harrison for the University of Washington brochure that he distributed to Councilmembers.

Mayor Harrison reminded Councilmembers of the Puget Sound Regional Council meeting on Thursday, February 19, 1998, at 7:00 p.m., in Sumner.

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Mayor Harrison announced that Council would recess to executive session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss potential litigation and land acquisition.
Council recessed at 11:05 p.m. and reconvened at 11:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.
BILL HARRISON, MAYOR
ATTEST:
ALICE M. BUSH, CMC
CITY CLERK