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LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, January 25, 1999

City of Lakewood

City Council Chambers

10510 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

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Call to Order

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call

Councilmembers Present: 4 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers JosÃ© Palmas and Sherri Thomas.

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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; Assistant 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 Heinz Haskins by request of Mayor Harrison.

Reports by the City Manager

City Manager Rohlfs announced that on February 3, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. the George Washington Bicentennial flag raising ceremony will be held at City Hall.

City Manager Rohlfs noted that confirmation of appointments to the Planning Advisory Board is scheduled for the February 1, 1999 Council agenda. He asked Councilmembers to provide their recommendations to the Mayor.

City Manager Rohlfs commented on The News Tribune article on Fort Steilacoom Park that was published over the weekend. He explained that there was a letter written to Deputy City Manager Neiditz from Pierce County Parks Director Jan Wolcott about the possibility of partnering with the City. However, no mention of dollars was mentioned for the park. Since that letter, there were

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discussions with the County. He explained that in a recent telephone conference call with Deputy City Manager Neiditz and Mr. Wolcott, Mr. Wolcott indicated that there was never an agreement about funding to bring before the Council.

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that he had received a call from Pierce County Councilmember Pat O'Malley concerning the news article and the upcoming February 4 meeting to discuss Fort Steilacoom Park. City Manager Rohlfs suggested that Councilmembers who are involved in the February 4 meeting meet prior to that meeting.

Proclamations and Presentations

Briefing on the Tacoma-Pierce County Solid Waste Management Plan.

Ms. Sally Sharrard, Pierce County, provided an overview of the draft Tacoma-Pierce County Solid Waste Management Plan, the public comment process and approval process.

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Mayor Harrison deviated from the agenda to discuss the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce and Tacoma-Pierce County Visitor and Convention Bureau contracts.

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Items for Discussion:

Authorizing the execution of agreements with the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$22,000 and the Tacoma-Pierce County Visitor and Convention Bureau in the amount of \$18,000 for tourism promotion services.

Deputy City Manager Neiditz provided an overview of the agreements with the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce and Tacoma-Pierce County Visitor and Convention Bureau for tourism promotion services.

Ms. Nancy Watkins, Tacoma-Pierce County Visitor and Convention Bureau, spoke about the services the Visitor and Convention Bureau will be providing to Lakewood.

**Discussion ensued on tourism opportunities with sister cities relationships;
and economic development opportunities.**

Ms. Linda, Smith, Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, spoke about the Chamber's programs.

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Council recessed at 8:25 p.m. and reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

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Briefing on the Comprehensive Plan.

Community Development Director Bugher briefly described the process and steps for developing the Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion ensued on the land use designation map; definitions of each designation and how the designations relate to zoning designations; adding a social element in the guiding principle statements; addressing the movement of traffic from west Lakewood to east Lakewood and the potential of widening the roads; informing the school district about the impacts zoning and land use designations could have on schools; addressing multi-story buildings in the Comprehensive Plan; updating City Codes to be in compliance with the zoning codes; addressing affordable housing in the Comprehensive Plan; addressing the City's vision for Fort Steilacoom Park and State Game lands; disposition of Lakewood Community Center; building Seeley Lake as an urban park; providing for environmental reviews on any changes in Fort Steilacoom Park such as a skate park or having an equestrian use in the park; impacts airport approaches have on the City; addressing how to entice businesses into Lakewood; and designating a City-owned parcel off 104th Street on the land use map.

Naming of the neighborhood adjacent to the main gate to McChord Air Force Base, Community Services Center and the park in the vicinity of 127th Street SW and Addison Street SW.

Assistant to the City Manager Brewster reviewed the proposed resolution for naming the neighborhood adjacent to the main gate of McChord Air Force Base, the new park and the Community Services Center. He reviewed the list of names provided by the Lakewood Historical Society and others.

Discussion ensued on renaming portions of Bridgeport Way "Spring Brook Drive."

Authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 3 to the agreement with Pierce County for the maintenance of City streets, signs, signals, sidewalks and drainage systems.

Engineering Manager Larkin reviewed the proposed amendment to the agreement with Pierce County for an additional three years for the maintenance of City Streets, sidewalks and drainage systems.

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Gray & Osborne, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$175,000, for the design of public improvements on 112th Street SW, Farwest Drive SW and Steilacoom Boulevard.

Engineering Manager Larkin reviewed the agreement with Gray & Osborne, Inc. for the designing of public improvements, curbs, gutters and sidewalks for the

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Northwest Landing sewer project. He explained that Gray & Osborne will only contract with a public entity. The City intends to contract with Gray & Osborne

and Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Company has agreed to pay the City the cost of the design work.

Items Tentatively Scheduled for the February 1, 1999, Regular City Council Meeting:

1. Authorizing the execution of agreements with the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$22,000 and the Tacoma-Pierce County

Visitor and Convention Bureau in the amount of \$18,000 for tourism promotion services. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

2. Naming of the neighborhood adjacent to the main gate to McChord Air Force Base, Community Services Center and the park in the vicinity of 127th Street SW and Addison Street SW. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)

3. Authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 3 to the agreement with Pierce County for the maintenance of City streets, signs, signals, sidewalks and drainage systems. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

4. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Gray & Osborne, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$175,000, for the design of public improvements on 112th Street SW, Farwest Drive SW and Steilacoom Boulevard. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

5. Confirming the appointments of Planning Advisory Board members for five year terms.

6. Setting Tuesday, February 16, 1999, at approximately 7:00 p.m.,

as the date for a public hearing to consider the proposal to extend

the moratorium on the filing of applications for residential density incentives and/or planned unit developments.- (Resolution - Consent Agenda)

7. Setting Tuesday, February 16, 1999, at approximately 7:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing to consider the proposal to extend

the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits

and approvals for adult entertainment businesses.- (Resolution - Consent Agenda)

8. Creating Chapter 10.28 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to

the impoundment of vehicles driven by drivers with suspended licenses. - (Ordinance - Consent Agenda)

9. Adopting the camellia as the official flower for the City of

Lakewood. - (Ordinance)

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10. Expressing opposition to legislative proposals to arbitrarily change school district boundaries. - (Resolution)

11. Finalizing the Council's action on the appeal of the Hearing

Examiner's decision on the San Moritz Planned Development

District and preliminary plat. Case No. LU 97115 - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)

Mayor Harrison requested that the resolution on the naming of the neighborhood adjacent to McChord Gate be placed on the Regular agenda of the February 1, 1999 Council meeting.

Briefing by the City Manager

City Manager Rohlf distributed copies of Senate Bill 5409 and noted that the Resolution expressing opposition to legislative proposals to arbitrarily change school district boundaries addresses SB 5409.

City Manager Rohlf explained that for the February 4, 1999 meeting to discuss Fort Steilacoom Park, the initial agenda for University Place and Lakewood is to use Fort Steilacoom Park for recreational programs. He noted that Steilacoom's Mayor Pro Tem will also be attending the meeting.

City Council Comments

Councilmember Thomas commented that Lakes High School will be competing in a dance team competition representing Lakewood. The team had requested City pins to wear. She indicated that the team valued the City pins and she will be giving each of them a pin.

Councilmember Thomas reported that she had received a call from a citizen who told her that children 10 years and older were allowed in bingo parlors. She asked if this was permissible. Mayor Harrison noted that there is a Boys and Girls Club bingo parlor for youths.

Deputy Mayor Thomas complimented the police department for solving the crime at Burger King.

Mayor Harrison asked Councilmembers to provide him with suggestions for topics to discuss during the first hour of the Council Retreat on March 3, 1999.

Mayor Harrison announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately fifteen minutes to discuss potential land acquisition.

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Council recessed at 10:45 p.m. and reconvened at 11:05 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC
CITY CLERK

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

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