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LAKESWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, August 2, 1999

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 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

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

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FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Herb Stumpf by request of Mayor Harrison.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs announced that the Council's Budget Workshop on August 18, 1999, will be held at 4:30 p.m. Council's next Town Hall meeting, to be hosted by Councilmembers Richardson, Palmas, and Deputy Mayor Thomas, will be held on August 25, 1999, at 7:00 p.m., at the Pierce College Boardroom.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that the City received official notification from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that the City is qualified as a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) direct grantee. The City also received verbal notification of HUD's approval of the formation of a HOME Consortium with Tacoma.

Mayor Harrison asked for an update on the treatment of Lake Steilacoom. Engineering Manager Larkin reported on the hydrothol 191 treatment of Lake Steilacoom.

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Recognition of Police Officers.

Police Chief Saunders recognized Police Officer Dave Shaffer for the arrests he has made as an officer in the Special Operation Division. Mayor Harrison then presented Officer Shaffer with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Police Chief Saunders then called on Mr. Lindsey Howard of the Mt. Tacoma Trailer Park who recognized and thanked Lt. Mel Ceccanti for removing drugs and two meth labs in the trailer park.

Police Chief Saunders presented Police Impact Awards to Bill Pebley, Dan Wulick and Cory Shears for performing comprehensive investigation duties.

Police Chief Saunders then distributed copies of a thank you note from Germaine Dart thanking Officers Olsen and Stephens for the courteous and efficient manner in which they responded to a call.

Police Chief Saunders then introduced two new deputies to the Lakewood Police Department.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Update on Intel Corporation.

Mr. Dave Fisher, Intel Corporation, briefed the Council on Intel. He reported that Intel opened its DuPont corporation three years ago. There are approximately 1,500 to 1,600 employees, which is projected to grow to 1,600 to 1,700 by December 1999. Intel Corporation works on desk-type research and development, server design, computer assembly and microprocessor development.

He noted that Councilmember Palmas is a member of Intel's Community Advisory Panel.

Briefing on the Study of the Arts.

Ms. Julia Garnett, Cultural Council of Greater Tacoma, introduced Ms. Kathryn Van Wagenen who reported on the Arts Council's Study of the Arts in the 21st Century project which assessed the vitality and sustainability of the arts in Pierce County and determine ways that the arts can serve the community.

Mr. Bill Riley reported that the next step of the Study of the Arts Council is to implement the Study.

Youth Advisors' Report.

There were no comments.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Robert Kepka, 12623 Bridgeport Way SW, spoke about his earlier request for help in cleaning up Fir Acres Trailer Court. He then distributed pictures of code violations on the park.

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A. Approval of the minutes of the Joint City Council/School Board Retreat of June 30, 1999.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 19, 1999.

C. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of July 26, 1999.

D. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Special Meeting of July 28, 1999.

E. Approval of payroll vouchers in the amount of \$146,988.25 for the period July 1-15, 1999.

F. Approval of claim vouchers in the amount of \$1,303,663.24 for the period ending July 28, 1999.

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

1. Lakewood Sister Cities Association meeting minutes of May 12, 1999 and workshop minutes of June 17, 1999.

2. Planning Advisory Board meeting minutes of July 7, 1999.

H. [Resolution No. 1999-26](#)

Authorizing the expenditure of City funds to abate public nuisances at 7124 146th Street SW; 8804 Silcox Drive SW; and 14913 Portland Avenue SW; and to take steps necessary to recover expenditure of said funds.

I. Resolution No. 1999-27

Setting Monday, August 16, 1999, at approximately 7:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council to consider the proposal to extend the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses.

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

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REGULAR AGENDA

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion No. 1999-51 authorizing the execution of a Supplemental Agreement with Canfield Consulting, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$14,695, to provide assistance relative to the Surface Water Management Program.

COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH CANFIELD CONSULTING, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$14,695, TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE RELATIVE TO THE SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of the City's comments to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement on the Unified Sewer Plan and asked Councilmembers to provide him with their comments before August 6, 1999.

City Manager Rohlfs reminded the Council to submit their recommendations for nominations to the Association of Washington Cities on the Legislative Committee.

City Manager Rohlfs asked Engineering Manager Larkin to update the Council on the Northwest Landing Sewer Project agreement with Weyerhaeuser. He then reviewed the street and drainage construction costs and right-of-way acquisition costs for the project. Engineering Manager Larkin explained that the total City responsibility for the project is approximately \$1.6 million. The funding sources are:

Weyerhaeuser Real Estate Corp. Contribution	\$650,000
City Surface Water Management Funds	293,448
Transportation Improvement Board	100,000
Pierce College	20,240
Arterial Street Fund	538,483
	\$1,602,171

City Manager Rohlfs called on City Attorney Heid who briefed the Council on Council's role with regard to campaigning for ballot measures, specifically with regard to the parks bond.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Humphrey requested that the real estate firms be placed on the mailing distribution list to receive extra copies of the City Connection newsletter.

Councilmember Davis reported that she will not be attending the August 9, 1999 Council meeting.

Councilmember Richardson indicated that he will not be able to attend the National Night Out Tour.

Councilmember Thomas indicated that she will be able to attend the 6:30 p.m. National Night Out Tour.

Councilmember Palmas indicated that he will be able to attend the 4:30 p.m. National Night Out Tour.

Councilmember Palmas announced that the free Brazil Tour Show at Pierce College will be held on August 14, 1999.

Councilmember Palmas reported that he and Councilmember Humphrey discussed the newspaper article about businesses wanting to relocate to Pierce County. He indicated that he is working to set up a meeting with the young man mentioned in the article and asked if the Redevelopment/Economic Development Administrator should be involved as well. City Manager Rohlfs indicated that he will have Candice Bock contact Councilmember Palmas.

Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on the Safe Streets outing she attended off Hipkins Road.

Deputy Mayor Thomas indicated that she is making efforts to follow-up on the assignments from the Joint Council/School Board Retreat.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reported that she and Andie Gernon will be recording an interview with Channel 20 in Federal Way, about Lakewood's Promise.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reported that there is a large pothole near the railroad at Bridgeport Way and Pacific Highway where buses have had difficulty crossing and is in need of repairs.

Mayor Harrison expressed his congratulations to the Chamber of Commerce and City for organizing the band concert at Harry Todd Park on July 31, 1999.

Mayor Harrison commented that at the Special City Council Meeting on July 28, 1999, it was agreed that the City move forward with the September Parks bond election.

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Mayor Harrison indicated that in the Council follow-up matrix of July 6, 1999, the issue on boat safety was not assigned. Police Chief Saunders indicated that a report was provided to the Council at the following week's Council meeting.

Mayor Harrison thanked Engineering Manager Larkin and Human Resources & Services Director Young for coordinating this year's Paint Lakewood Beautiful project.

Mayor Harrison indicated that as referenced in the July 28, 1999 Special City Council Meeting minutes, he contacted Pierce County Councilmember Ken Madsen about the proposed Resolution he had prepared to transfer Ft. Steilacoom Park to Lakewood. County Councilmember Madsen indicated that there is some opposition on submitting the Resolution to the County Council. Mayor Harrison indicated that he had faxed County Councilmember Madsen some changes to the Resolution. Mayor Harrison explained that should the Memorandum of Agreement be approved by the County Council at their August 10, 1999 meeting, he had suggested that the Resolution be introduced at that time.

Mayor Harrison expressed concern about what could be done to get absentee landlords to take care of their properties, such as the situation at the Fir Acres Trailer Park. City Manager Rohlfs explained that the abatement process is laborious and often takes a long time. He indicated that code enforcement officers continue to issue violations, however, once it is in the court's process, it can take time. Mayor Harrison requested that the City's ordinance strongly emphasize the Council's intent to enforce these violations.

Mayor Harrison announced that Council would recess into Executive Session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters.

Council recessed at 9:45 p.m. and reconvened at 10:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC/AE

CITY CLERK

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