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LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, August 16, 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 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 5 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Larry Humphrey; Jos   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 Mr. Charlie Maxwell by request of Mayor Harrison.

Mayor Harrison informed citizens in the audience who were present to comment on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the proposed park trail adjacent to Robin Hood Estates, that during the review and comment period of the EIS, the City Council cannot hear testimony at this time because the Council must sit as a quasi-judicial body should the matter come before the Council under an appeal. At this time he asked citizens to first speak with Community Development Director Bugher and Engineering Manager Larkin who would be available in the outside foyer to discuss and address their concerns.

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Mayor Harrison explained that in order to protect citizens' rights, the matter must first go before the Hearing Examiner. Citizens can provide testimony at the Hearing Examiner's hearing. After the Hearing Examiner makes a finding and decision, should the Hearing Examiner's decision be appealed, the matter will go before the City Council as a quasi-judicial body.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlf announced that on August 18, 1999, the Council will hold a Budget Workshop at 4:30 p.m., at the Lakewood Library.

On August 25, 1999, at 7:00 p.m., the Council's Community Forum will be held at Pierce College.

On September 23, 1999, at 6:30 p.m., a meeting with nearby cities on Initiative 695 will be held at the Lakewood Library.

On September 13, 1999, at 6:00 p.m., the Joint Council/Legislators meeting will be held prior to the Council's Study Session.

Assistant Police Chief Bisson called on Mr. Joe Lackey, Dayton Hudson Corporation, subsidiary of Target and Mervyn's stores, who presented the Lakewood Police Department with a \$1,000 check for bicycle patrol equipment.

Assistant Police Chief Bisson and Mayor Harrison presented six National Night Out Safe Streets neighborhood signs to the Greenwood neighborhood, 91st Avenue Court SW neighborhood, Lake City Community Center neighborhood, Hipkins Road area neighborhood, Harry Todd Park area and Emerald Village.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Presentation on Western State Hospital.

Mr. Jerry Lovrien, Western State Hospital CEO, provided a briefing on Western State Hospital. He explained that Western State Hospital provides in-patient hospitalization, comprehensive psychiatric assessment and forensic services.

Discussion ensued on services; outpatient services, and the number of individuals using the facility who actually live in the area.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Thomas Silva, 9327 110th Court SW, spoke about representatives from the Lake City Community Center serving on the Community Development Block Grant/Citizens Advisory Board and the need to improve the Lake City Community Center.

Glen Anderson, 8409 Spruce Street, spoke about boat safety pamphlets and the contradicting information in the pamphlets between the City, Pierce County, Washington State Boating Association and the Coast Guard. He explained that the information on wearing life jackets was inconsistent. He also spoke about the illegal placement of an 8.5 inch by 11 inch "For Rent" sign on a fence in comparison to the legal placement of the same size flyers next to mailboxes.

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Susan Berven, 8002 70th Avenue Court SW, Robin Hood Estates, spoke against the proposed trail in the Robin Hood Estates and building a bridge across Chambers Creek. She explained that the trail would be detrimental to the neighborhood.

Kristy Brokman, 6216 79th W, Robin Hood Estates, expressed concern about the park trail going through private property.

Joanne Ator, 6918 80th Street SW, spoke against the proposed park trail.

Kelly Lambert, 8010 70th Avenue Court SW, spoke against the proposed park trail.

Don Council, 6810 81st Street SW, requested that someone who is non-partisan represent Robin Hood Estates to stop the park trail. He commented that he took exception to staff commenting in favor of the trail.

Jim Taylor, Spruce Street, representing the Clover Park School District Board, indicated that there is a proposed settlement with one bargaining unit and the School District has started negotiations with the classified bargaining unit. He noted that it appears school will start on time.

Andrew Ryder, Arrowhead Road, congratulated the Council for recognizing those neighborhoods who are helping to reduce crime. He reported that at 115th Street Court SW, there are eight apartment complexes which harbor crime in Lakewood.

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Curt Hoogendijk, 7320 Turquoise Drive SW, spoke against the proposed park trail and recommended to stop building the trail to prevent crime and the lowering of the value of affected properties.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of August 2, 1999.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of August 9, 1999.
- C. Approval of payroll vouchers in the amount of \$179,240.01 for the period July 16-31, 1999.
- D. Approval of claim vouchers in the amount of \$1,769,899.42 for the period ending August 11, 1999.
- E. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

Lakewood's Promise/Collaboration Team meeting minutes of June 23, 1999.

F. [Ordinance No. 211](#)

Creating Chapter 2.28 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to establishing a Community Development Block Grant Citizens Advisory Board for the Community Development Block Grant and HOME programs.

G. [Resolution No. 1999-28](#)

Endorsing the [A Call to Action: Planning for Youth in Pierce County - Strategic Plan for Moderate Risk Youth](#), and supporting the efforts of the Tacoma-Pierce County Commission on Children, Youth and Their Families and the A Call to Action: Advisory Group in implementing this Strategic Plan.

H. [Motion No. 1999-52](#)

Authorizing the execution of an addendum to the agreement with Lakewood Refuse Service, Inc., for garbage collection services.

I. [Motion No. 1999-53](#)

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Consoer Townsend Envirodyne Engineers, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$40,000, for administrative services relative to the formation and closure of Local Improvement Districts, and waiving formal bidding requirements for said services.

Mayor Harrison requested that Item H, Motion No. 1999-52, be removed from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda.

DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS MOVED TO ADOPT ITEM NO. A-G AND I ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council recessed at 8:30 p.m. and reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

This is the date set for a public hearing to consider the proposed extension to the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses.

Speaking before the Council were:

There were no comments.

Mayor Harrison read a written citizen comment by Mr. Edward Zhao into the record as follows:

"I felt the extension of a moratorium on adult entertainment businesses should be extended or possibly be shut down in the near future because they are a crime causing factor in the City of Lakewood."

The hearing was declared closed.

Mayor Harrison announced that the Council will consider Motion No. 1999-52 at this time.

Motion No. 1999-52 authorizing the execution of an addendum to the agreement with Lakewood Refuse Service, Inc., for garbage collection services.

COUNCILMEMBER PALMAS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT WITH LAKEWOOD REFUSE SERVICE, INC., FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICES. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS.

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DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS MOVED TO AMEND THE MOTION TO REMOVE THE .7 PERCENT SURCHARGE FOR A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HUMPHREY.

DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS WITHDREW HER MOTION OF AMENDMENT.

VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION WITH COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON VOTING IN OPPOSITION.

ORDINANCES

[Ordinance No. 212](#) amending Sections 13.06.150 and 13.06.170 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to garbage

utility rates.

DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 212. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTIONS

[Resolution No. 1999-29](#) extending the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses.

COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 1999-29. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

[Resolution No. 1999-30](#) supporting the City of Lakewood Parks Bond Measure in the September 14, 1999 election.

COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 1999-30. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There were no public comments in support or opposition of Resolution No. 1999-30.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

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NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Richardson asked to revisit the issue of developing a feasible way to establish a fee structure for securing a Code Enforcement officer to handle garbage and clean-up violations. It was agreed that this item would be scheduled for discussion at the October 11, 1999 Council Study Session.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlf asked Councilmembers to provide Deputy City Manager Neiditz with any comments they may have on the special edition newsletter on the parks bond.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Humphrey requested an update on the treatment of Lake Steilacoom. Engineering Manager Larkin reported on the algae growth on the south side of the lake but he had yet to receive a clear answer.

Councilmember Humphrey asked if the Society of Environmental Toxicology letter should be sent to the Lake Steilacoom Improvement Club.

Councilmember Richardson commented that in the Community Service work crew monthly report it was noted that domestic violence assault defendants were assigned to the work crew. He expressed concern that it was his understanding that the Council did not want domestic violence defendants assigned to the work crew and urged that domestic violence assignments be stopped.

Mayor Harrison encouraged the work crew to keep on top of cleaning up the entry points into the City.

Councilmember Palmas suggested that City staff may want to attend the conference on fiber optics, September 21-23, 1999, which was described in the Association of Washington Cities [Legislative Bulletin](#).

Councilmember Palmas indicated that the [Bulletin](#) also notes that the Supreme Court is looking to amend the administrative supervision and the preparation of the Court budgets for courts of limited jurisdiction to the authority of the judge.

Councilmember Palmas commented on the well-attended concert in the parks event that was held on August 14, 1999, at Pierce College.

Deputy Mayor Thomas suggested that the work crew clean up areas in Tillicum as Mr. Anderson commented on earlier in his testimony under Public Comments.

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Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on her work with Miss Washington on the Lakewood's Promise platform.

Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on the training that was provided to the new Youth Advisors.

Deputy Mayor Thomas invited Councilmembers and City staff to her home for a get together on Friday, September 17, 1999, starting at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Harrison indicated that he received a call from the Commanding General of Forces Command in Atlanta who stated he is recommending disapproval of the military base annexation.

Mayor Harrison indicated that a press release should be issued on the County's approval of the Memorandum of Agreement on Ft. Steilacoom Park and Golf Course.

Mayor Harrison reported that Pierce County Councilmember O'Malley is working to place a resolution to transfer Ft. Steilacoom Park to Lakewood before the County Council at their August 24, 1999 meeting.

Mayor Harrison announced that Council would recess into Executive Session for approximately one hour, thirty minutes to discuss contract performance evaluation and personnel matters.

Council recessed at 10:35 p.m. and reconvened at 1:20 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:20 a.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC/AE

CITY CLERK