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LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

AMENDED 2/22/00

Monday, February 14, 2000

City of Lakewood

City Council Chambers

10510 Gravelly Lake Drive SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 5 - Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Larry Humphrey; JosÃ© Palmas and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmembers Excused: 2 - Mayor Bill Harrison and Councilmember Doug Richardson

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Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; City Attorney Dan Heid; Financial Operations Manager Kim Frazier; Community Development Director David Bugher; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Acting Police Chief Mel Ceccanti; Human Resources & Services Director Debi Young; General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush and Assistant to the City Manager Jeff Brewster.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

City Hall Update.

City Manager Rohlfs called on Engineering Manager Larkin who reviewed the proposed office space at the new City Hall as follows:

Office Space 27,550 sq. ft.

City Council Chambers, including overflow and support areas 4,290

Court and Hearing rooms 3,550

Common Areas 12,990

Building Support Areas 3,990

Public Meeting Room 1,620

Basement (enclosed space only) 3,014

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Discussion ensued on the existing City Hall space versus proposed space; proposed use of the vacant space prior to the 20-year build out; making more use of the Council Chambers and possibly eliminating other conference rooms

and common areas; ways of reducing the cost for construction of City Hall; reviewing a financial plan and projected cash flow package on how City Hall will be paid for; identifying what percentage of the building is needed now and what percentage is proposed for expansion; scheduling more discussion of the proposed City Hall at Council's next study session and receiving the Citizens' Ad Hoc Committee's input on the project and possibly holding a public meeting and opportunity for citizens to provide input.

Engineering Manager Larkin and Merritt+Pardini displayed new elevation drawings of the proposed City Hall, with plans for reducing the window and glazing areas.

Amending Sections 18.45.060 and 18.45.130 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to the sign codes.

Community Development Director Bugher reviewed the proposed amendments to the sign codes for advertising in bus shelters.

Discussion ensued on potential legal challenges with regard to the proposed ordinance changes; the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce's position on the proposed ordinance; on-premise sign options; how to control the types of advertising placed in these shelters; and the styles of the bus shelters.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE FEBRUARY 22, 2000 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Amending Sections 18.45.060 and 18.45.130 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to the sign codes. - (Ordinance - Consent Agenda)

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

3. Extending the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses through August 28, 2000. - (Resolution - Regular Agenda)

4. Setting Monday, April 3, 2000, at approximately 7:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council to extend the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for gambling activities. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)

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BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs noted that, in last week's Informational Bullets, Council was provided with the City Events Committee 2000 budget recommendations for city events.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Davis announced that she and Deputy Mayor Thomas will be receiving an award at the Pierce County Council meeting on Tuesday, February 15, 2000.

Councilmember Davis announced that there will be a Sound Transit meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2000, at 7:00 p.m., at the Pierce Transit Training Room.

Councilmember Davis asked for an update on the Ft. Steilacoom Park legislation. City Manager Rohlfs indicated that, of the one percent sales tax, it is proposed that 50 percent be allocated for zoos and 50 percent to counties, cities and the park district. He further explained that there are other legislative changes being considered on how Ft. Steilacoom Park will be impacted based on a portion of a fee that will be charged to the City of Lakewood as well as Pierce County for a period of time.

Councilmember Humphrey reported that Pierce Transit provided rides to 13.5 million passengers in 1999, up 4.8 percent from last year. He noted that, overall,

Amended Pierce Transit has grown 6 percent per year over the last six years. He

02/22/00 explained that in order to provide more parking spaces at the State Route 512 Park-N-Ride, Pierce Transit is looking at reducing the size of the parking spaces from 9 feet to 8 feet, thereby creating 43 additional spaces.

Councilmember Humphrey asked for an update on Lake Steilacoom.

Councilmember Thomas announced that there will be a Safe Streets meeting on Friday, February 18, 2000. She announced that she will co-chairing the *Race Against Drugs* go cart races at K-mart on June 17 and 18, 2000.

Councilmember Palmas announced that the Rotary will be hosting a pancake breakfast at Clover Park High School on Easter.

Councilmember Palmas noted that parking violations are still occurring at the Post Office.

Councilmember Palmas announced that the Pierce County Regional Council will be holding its general assembly meeting on Thursday, February 17, 2000.

Deputy Mayor Thomas indicated that she was asked by the Clover Park School District Board to serve as an observer on the School Superintendent interview panel.

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Deputy Mayor Thomas indicated that she will be serving on a panel with Pierce College, Clover Park Technical College, and the University of Washington to discuss future educational needs to help students become marketable to employers.

For clarification, Deputy Mayor Thomas asked Councilmembers if they concurred with the City Events Committee 2000 funding recommendations presented in last week's Informational Bullets. Council concurred with the Events Committee funding recommendations.

Deputy Mayor Thomas announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss potential litigation and land acquisition.

Council recessed into Executive Session at 10:10 p.m. and reconvened at 11:40 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC/AE

CITY CLERK

