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**LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES**

**Monday, April 10, 2000**

**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 7:00 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: Acting City Manager Dan Heid; Finance and Systems Director Galen Kidd; Community Development Director David Bugher; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Police Chief Larry Saunders; General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush and Assistant to the City Manager Jeff Brewster.

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**FLAG SALUTE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Boy Scouts Troop 32 by request of Mayor Harrison.

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Mayor Harrison called on Ms. Esther Miller who announced that on Saturday, May 6, 2000, there will be a pancake breakfast at 7:00 p.m., at Tillicum Community Center, to kick off a clean up of Tillicum.

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**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

Update on City Hall.

Mr. Pardini and Mr. Bahbah, Merritt + Pardini, provided an update on the City Hall project. Discussion ensued on coordination efforts that are taking place with MDK and the City on the City Hall developments.

Mr. Pardini and Mr. Bahbah then reviewed the exterior design and elevations of City Hall and the composition and color scheme for the exterior of the structure.

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Discussion ensued on the color schemes and involving the members of the City Hall Ad Hoc Advisory Committee to provide input on the color schemes.

Engineering Manager Larkin reported that the next step in the project is to make a decision on the building design. Engineering Manager Larkin then reviewed a proposal to lease 2,500 square feet on the first floor.

Discussion ensued on designing space for accessible public use, such as an area for bands, weddings, etc.

Councilmembers requested that the Council be given regular updates once a month and more frequently when there are significant issues that the Council needs to be aware of.

Establishing an official name for a city park unofficially known as "Forest Park."

Assistant to the City Manager Brewster reviewed the suggestions received from Lakewood residents for officially naming a city park unofficially known as "Forest Park." He explained that the names of Forest Park, Washington Park, George Washington Park and Military Field were the names suggested.

Discussion ensued on the suggested names. Councilmembers concurred with the name of Washington Park.

Authorizing the submittal of grant applications to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation for the Wards Lake Development and Expansion Project, the Kiwanis Park Upgrade Project and the Flett Creek Property Acquisition Project.

Assistant to the City Manager Brewster reviewed the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation grant application for the Wards Lake Development and Expansion project.

Discussion ensued on the cost for the Phase III Wards Lake project for installing a crosswalk on 84th Street; and liability issues with the flooding of Wards Lake.

Assistant to the City Manager Brewster then reviewed the Kiwanis Park Upgrade Project and the Flett Creek Property Acquisition project.

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Council recessed at 8:55 p.m. and reconvened at 9:15 p.m.

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#### **Discussion on the Comprehensive Plan.**

Community Development Director Bugher reviewed projected traffic increases on Veterans Drive and addressed questions raised about the Water District properties at Interlaaken and Washington Boulevard. Community Development Director Bugher then reviewed the proposed land use changes to the American Lakes Garden area, which provided for multi-family higher density uses.

Discussion ensued on designating the area surrounding Emerson Lake as light residential and changing the southern leg of American Lake Gardens to estate residential and multi-family. It was the consensus of the Council to designate a portion of the southern leg of American Lake Gardens to single family estates.

Discussion ensued on the proposed Cross Base Highway and ways to bring sewers to American Lake Gardens. Community Development Director Bugher then described the proposed density developments of 40-50 units per acre in the urban core. Senior Planner Johnson reviewed House Bill 2505, which provided for multi-family housing incentives in the downtown area and RTA station area.

Community Development Director Bugher then reviewed the proposed density changes between Bridgeport Way and Seeley Lake to high-density multi-family.

Discussion ensued on the construction of the State Route 512 interchange with a grade separation at the railroad and

its interrelationship on 100th Street with the proposed land use designations; and changing the Interlaaken Drive single family estate designations to single-family designations.

It was the consensus of the Council that Washington Boulevard and the north side of Interlaaken proposed for mixed residential be changed to single-family residential; and the corner of Vernon and Washington Boulevard be changed to mixed residential; and the multi-family designations off 100th Street be changed to high density multi-family. Council requested to review portions of the area south of 100th Street between Lakeview and Bridgeport Way. Council also asked to be provided with the definitions for the proposed zoning and land use designations.

Senior Planner Johnson reviewed the proposed housing and goals policies.

Discussion ensued on group homes and impacts to traffic; designations where emergency shelters could be located; providing for some modular housing, and eliminating the proposed policy that requires any existing affordable housing to those with very low or low incomes be replaced when it is removed as a result of demolition, redevelopment or abatement action either in the same location or elsewhere in the city at a one-to-one ratio.

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#### **ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE APRIL 17, 2000 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:**

1. Establishing an official name for a city park unofficially known as "Forest Park." - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)
2. Authorizing the submittal of grant applications to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation for the Wards Lake Development and Expansion Project, the Kiwanis Park Upgrade Project and the Flett Creek Property Acquisition Project. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)
3. This is the date set for a public hearing on the 2000-2005 Joint Tacoma and Lakewood Consolidated Plan and the 2000-2001 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Act Programs.
4. Proclamation declaring May 2000 as Foster Care Month. - *Ms. Darlene Flowers, Executive Director, Foster Parents Association of Washington State.*
5. Proclamation declaring April 22, 2000 as Earth Day.
6. Denying various claims for damages. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

Acting City Manager Heid distributed copies of a revised agenda bill on denying claims for damages.

#### **BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER**

Acting City Manager Heid announced that Faye Jeffries, Engineering Administrative Secretary, was selected as Employee of the Quarter.

#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Thomas announced that the Water District will hold an open house on April 11, 2000, to discuss their proposed development plans.

Councilmember Richardson asked if the Pierce County Assessor can separate the property tax billings for City and Emergency Management Services that are currently combined on the property tax statements.

Councilmember Richardson asked about picking up abandoned refrigerators, vehicles, and sofas that have been left on the street for weeks.

Councilmember Humphrey commented on the Ft. Lewis Community Outreach program. Councilmember Humphrey reminded citizens and businesses to provide their comments on the sign code.

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**Councilmember Palmas commented on the business license report noting that the number of adult entertainment businesses remain low at 29 percent. Councilmember Palmas questioned the zoning provisions for flea markets.**

**Mayor Harrison asked that the April 18, 2000, 7:00 p.m., public meeting on closing Wildaire Road and 108th Street be noticed should there be a quorum of the Council.**

**Councilmembers congratulated Engineering Manager Larkin for completing the construction project on Steilacoom Boulevard ahead of schedule.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.**

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**BILL HARRISON, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ALICE M. BUSH, CMC**

**CITY CLERK**