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LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 17, 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 7:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 5 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Larry Humphrey; and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmember Excused: 1 - Councilmember Doug Richardson (arrived at 7:12 p.m.).

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Councilmember Absent: 1 - Councilmember JosÃ© Palmas (arrived at 7:12 p.m.).

Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; City Attorney Dan Heid; Finance and Systems Director Galen Kidd; Community Development Director David Bugher; Engineering Manager Bill Larkin; Police Chief Larry Saunders; Human Resources & Services Director Debi Young; General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush and Assistant to the City Manager Jeff Brewster.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Harrison.

Mayor Harrison welcomed and introduced Col. Daniel Challis, Community Connector from Ft. Lewis, who spoke about building partnerships with the City, Ft. Lewis and McChord Air Force Base.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs announced that on Tuesday, April 18, 2000, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, there will be a public meeting on the closure of Wildaire Road.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation declaring May 2000 as Foster Care Month.

Deputy Mayor Thomas presented a proclamation, declaring May 2000 as Foster Care Month, to Ms. Darlene Flowers, Executive Director, Foster Parents Association of Washington State.

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Councilmember Richardson and Councilmember Palmas arrived at 7:12 p.m.

Proclamation recognizing the Lakewood Historical Society.

Councilmember Thomas presented a proclamation, recognizing the Lakewood Historical Society, to Mr. Cy Happy, President of the Lakewood Historical Society.

Council recessed at 7:20 p.m. and reconvened at 7:55 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Jean Jamison, Lakewood CARES, Box 98683, spoke about the growing discontent in the community; displacing families with the closure of Brookhaven Apartments; theme park; and denying citizen participation in the Growth Management Plan.

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Richard Rabisa, #2 Thorne Wood Lane, spoke about the child who drowned at Tillicum and thanked Debi Young, Human Resources and Services Director, for her help. He then spoke about vehicles parking in "No Parking" areas at Harry Todd Park.

Pat Gill, Alpine Estates Mobile Home Park, 6622 146th Street SW, spoke about the conditions at American Lake Gardens; abatements; and putting citizens' needs first.

C O N S E N T A G E N D A

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Special Meeting of April 1, 2000.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of April 3, 2000.

C. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of April 10, 2000.

D. Approval of payroll checks in the amount of \$190,040.93, for the period March 16-31, 2000.

E. Approval of claim vouchers in the amount of \$535,123.77, for the period ending April 13, 2000.

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F. [Resolution No. 2000-11](#)

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

G. [Resolution No. 2000-12](#)

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.

H. [Motion No. 2000-06](#)

Denying various claims for damages.

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

R E G U L A R A G E N D A

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

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.

Speaking before the Council were:

Stacy Carman and Sarah Frye, Lakeview Elementary School, expressed their appreciation for considering Lakeview's application for a sewer extension to the portable at Lakeview Elementary School.

Dee Youmans, 4905 Pacific Street SW, spoke about the proposed Lakeview Avenue sidewalk project. She provided cost estimates for construction of sidewalks and asked that the proposed sidewalks be placed on the south side of Pacific Street. She advised against planting ivy along sidewalks, as they will eventually grow under them and crack the sidewalks.

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Parley Applegate, Tillicum Community Center Board, spoke about the Tillicum Community Center Board being awarded the ownership of the Tillicum Center. He asked for Council's support for funding the operations of the Center and repairing the roof and HVAC system.

Richard Rabisa, #2 Thorne Wood Lane, spoke about getting Pierce County to pay for the repair of the roof of the Tillicum Community Center as the current landlord and having Lakewood residents serve on the Board.

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Sally Shawl, Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful, indicated that there were 21 eligible homeowner applicants from Lakewood who have applied for the Paint Tacoma-Pierce Beautiful program. She indicated that the proposed CDBG request provides for painting seven Lakewood homes.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Consider Ordinance No. 215 creating Chapter 3.52 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to a tax on utility businesses.

Mayor Harrison reported that this item will be considered when the 2000 budget is reopened.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs reported that the Legislative Budget should be finalized soon with regard to restoring loss revenues as a result of Initiative 695.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Humphrey asked if the Mayor will respond to the Tacoma-Pierce County Convention and Visitor Bureau letter from Fred Shanaman, Chairman of the Board.

Councilmember Palmas complimented the Lakewood Sister Cities Association brochure promoting the International Festival 2000 on May 6, 2000.

Councilmember Palmas asked city staff to prepare a recommendation on the improvements in the proximity of 84th Street at South Tacoma Way.

Councilmember Palmas asked for an update on the Lake Steilacoom Improvement Club request for treatment.

Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on the Western State Hospital and St. Clare Hospital volunteer recognition event she attended, and noted the significant number of volunteer hours given to the community.

Mayor Harrison commented on the fourth Annual Alumni recognition dinner at Pierce College. He noted that the College established a special "Jack B. Asby Award" to be given only on a very qualified and limited basis, to any individual who has contributed significantly to the city or Pierce College.

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Mayor Harrison announced that on Thursday, April 13, 2000, Andie Gernon was nominated and recognized at an annual Tacoma 8 Rotary event, recognizing all countywide volunteers. He indicated that a doctor from the Hilltop area received the overall award.

Mayor Harrison asked Deputy Mayor Thomas for an update on the RTA Station meeting that was held on April 13, 2000.

Mayor Harrison commented on the dedication ceremony of the Celebration Chapel he attended at Mountain View Cemetery on April 15, 2000.

Mayor Harrison reported that he, Engineering Manager Larkin and City Manager Rohlfs met with Puget Sound Energy. Puget Sound Energy has expressed a desire to have a third party come to a Council Study Session to explain the ramifications of providing electrical service.

Mayor Harrison commented on a meeting he and City Manager Rohlfs had with Congressman Norman Dicks, Congressman Adam Smith and County Councilmember Pat O'Malley to discuss the clear area (immediately north of the head of the runway) at McChord Air Force Base; to ensure that there was a clear understanding on exactly what a "clear area" is and what McChord Air Force Base is requesting of the City. A meeting will be held with the Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber of Commerce Director and the Military Affairs Director of that Chamber to discuss this matter further.

Councilmember Richardson asked for an update on the Alaska Airlines' desire to use a certain portion of McChord Air Force Base for training. Community Development Director Bugher responded that there was an Environmental Assessment issued by the Air Force. Community Development Director Bugher indicated that the City has responded to some of the concerns in the Environmental Assessment, such as the significant increase on the number of flights and noise level. He indicated that he will provide the Council with the City's response.

Mayor Harrison reported that Kurt Graff of the Redevelopment Advisory Board will be making a presentation at the April 24, 2000 Council Study Session. Mayor Harrison announced that Councilmember Humphrey has agreed to serve as the Council's representative on the Redevelopment Advisory Board.

Mayor Harrison announced that the Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss land acquisition.

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Council recessed into Executive Session at 9:26 p.m. At 9:56 p.m., Mayor Harrison announced that the Executive Session would be extended for an additional hour. Council reconvened at 10:56 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK