LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, May 22, 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; José Palmas; Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

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.

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.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Approving Level II human services funding for the Tillicum/American Lake Gardens Community Center Emergency Services Program in the amount of \$14,400; Communities In Schools Weed and Seed Emergency Services in the amount of \$10,000 and Weed and Seed Youth Services in the amount of \$10,000; Metropolitan Development Council Woodbrook LEADS, Grandchild Project, in the amount of \$7,262 and Community Development Block Grant human services gaps in the amount of \$15,338; and authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements for said programs.

Human Resources and Services Director Young reviewed the proposed Level II human services funding programs through December 31, 2000.

Discussion ensued on the distinction between the 1 percent General Fund human services monies and the Level II (Community Development Block Grant) human services funding for human services programs; finding resources for funding public safety needs and reviewing all the needs throughout the City when reopening the 2000 budget.

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Ms. Andie Gernon reviewed each of the services recommended for funding. These services are proposed to be provided by Tillicum/American Lake Gardens Center, Communities In Schools, and the Metropolitan Development Council.

Discussion ensued on providing more information on what the deliverables are for the program dollars; and if funding will be available to provide housing services for those displaced through the *Weed and Seed* effort.

Reopening of the City of Lakewood 2000 Budget.

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of the proposed 2000 budget, which included a budget for the State's Initiative 695 budget restoration.

Discussion ensued on the utility tax revenues; recurring costs; concerns on not having lifeguards; and the need for police security officers in the parks.

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Council recessed at 8:20 p.m. and reconvened at 8:32 p.m.

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City Manager Rohlfs noted that \$17,000 for the Tacoma Art Museum was inadvertently left off the FY 2000 and FY 2001 budgets.

Discussion ensued on the police budget and policing of parks.

Councilmembers requested \$30,100 be added to the budget priorities list for park services, specifically for lifeguards.

Discussion ensued on the possibility of addressing the hiring of all of the police officers until consideration of the 2001 budget; how the utility tax revenues are added to the road tax fund; merit modifier; merit restrictions; timing for hiring police officers; how much of restricted funds are available such as hotel/motel tax dollars; providing a detail of building fees collected; examination of revenues collected in relation to expenditures.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE JUNE 5, 2000 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Approving Level II human services funding for the Tillicum/American Lake Gardens Community Center Emergency Services Program in the amount of \$14,400; Communities In Schools Weed and Seed Emergency Services in the amount of \$10,000 and Weed and Seed Youth Services in the amount of \$10,000; Metropolitan Development Council Woodbrook LEADS, Grandchild Project, in the amount of \$7,262 and Community Development Block Grant human services gaps in the amount of \$15,338; and authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements for said programs. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

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There were no comments.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs announced that there were forty people who attended tonight's Orchestra Concert at Lochburn Middle School.

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of a draft Ft. Steilacoom Park agreement and noted that there are operational and recreation costs associated with the park.

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of a letter from ENTRANCO regarding storm drainage improvements on Hipkins Road and runoffs into Lake Steilacoom. Mayor Harrison requested that the content of the letter be disseminated to the Lake Steilacoom Improvement Club members. Councilmember Palmas asked if the Council could discuss what the roles and responsibilities of the Council are with regard to the Lake Steilacoom Improvement Club at a Council retreat.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that there will be no Council meeting on May 30, 2000.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Humphrey requested an update from the Lakewood Mall owners.

Councilmember Humphrey asked when the next City Hall update will be presented to the City Council.

Councilmember Davis asked if the Gravelly Lake Drive/Steilacoom Boulevard meeting will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2000 at 9:30 a.m.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reported on the Community Celebration 2000 meeting held today. She noted that the celebration will be held on October 6, 2000, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Thomas noted that applications for the Youth Advisor positions for next school year are available.

Mayor Harrison announced twelve people attended Friday's May 12, 2000 Coffee with the Mayor.

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ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.
BILL HARRISON, MAYOR
ATTEST:
ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK