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LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, August 14, 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: 6 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Larry Humphrey; JosÃ© Palmas; Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmember Absent: 1 - Councilmember Doug Richardson (arrived at 7:30 p.m.).

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Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; Assistant City Manager Jeff Butzlaff; 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 and General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Update on City Hall.

Mr. Imad Bahbah and Ms. Seong Shin, Merritt+Pardini, reviewed the proposed color schemes for the exterior and interior of City Hall.

Discussion ensued on interior improvements for the Pierce College leased space; color schemes and coordination with the Lakewood Mall; color scheme of the tile walkway outside City Hall; keeping within the budget for City Hall; and coating the exterior of the building with graffiti guard coating.

Councilmember Richardson arrived at 7:30 p.m.

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Review of the alternative for the improvement of the intersections of Gravelly Lake Drive and Steilacoom Boulevard and Steilacoom Boulevard and Lakewood Drive.

Engineering Manager Larkin and Mr. George Reynolds, Pertee Engineering, distributed copies of cost estimates for the proposed alternatives and letters from the Clover Park School District and the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce stating their preferences. He then reviewed the proposed alternatives.

Discussion ensued on the alternatives; constructing sidewalks on Lakewood Drive; pedestrian traffic configuration for each alternative; the affected business owner's preferred alternative; amount of time to design and construct the improvements; and appropriate signage for businesses.

Denying and approving certain claims for damages.

Finance Director Kidd briefly reviewed the claims for damages recommended for payment or denial.

Discussion ensued on the denial of a claim from Heesan Corporation.

Adopting the City of Lakewood's Relocation Assistance Policy.

Redevelopment/Economic Development Administrator Bock reviewed the City's proposed Relocation Assistance Policy. She explained that the policy is based on the Sound Transit relocation policy.

Discussion ensued on the difference between Lakewood's policy and Sound Transit's policy; editorial changes to the policy and clarifying certain sections of the policy; and seeking comments from Columbia Legal Services.

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Police Chief Saunders briefed the Council on a bomb evacuation incident at the Post Office because of a suspicious package. He indicated that the package contained only dry ice.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE AUGUST 21, 2000 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Denying and approving certain claims for damages. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)
2. Adopting the City of Lakewood's Relocation Assistance Policy. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)
3. National Night Out Awards. - *Assistant Police Chief Rick Adamson, Lakewood Police Department*

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4. Creating Chapter 2.44 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to establishing a Lakewood Citizens' Transportation Review Committee. - (Ordinance - Consent Agenda)
5. Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) relative to the duties and functions of the PCRC. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)
6. This is the date for a public hearing on the proposed extension of a moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses.
7. Extending the moratorium on the filing of applications for licenses, permits and approvals for adult entertainment businesses through February 28, 2001. - (Resolution)
8. Awarding a bid for the Main Street construction project. - (Memorandum)

Mayor Harrison indicated that the Gravelly Lake Drive and Steilacoom Boulevard intersection alternative will be on next week's agenda.

Mayor Harrison reported that the Pierce County Regional Council agreement will not be on next week's agenda.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

None.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Humphrey commented on a letter from Mr. Decker, apartment complex owner in Springbrook, requesting that there be a bus stop near the complex. Councilmember Humphrey suggested that notices be provided to businesses in the area informing them about the Springbrook Neighborhood Association.

Councilmember Humphrey asked for a 2001 Budget schedule. City Manager Rohlf indicated that a schedule will be provided to the Council this week.

Councilmember Humphrey asked for a report on the hiring status of police officers as a result of the Initiative 695 budget restorations.

Councilmember Palmas provided an overview of the historic preservation program in the City of Tacoma.

Councilmember Palmas commented on the City of Tacoma's ordinance on the purchase and sale of ephedrine to see if a similar ordinance may be suitable for Lakewood.

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Deputy Mayor Thomas asked when the demolition project for the new City Hall will commence.

Mayor Harrison reported on the *Coffee with the Mayor* meeting with bankers.

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Mayor Harrison announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 90 minutes to discuss land acquisition and personnel matters.

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Council recessed into Executive Session at 9:10 p.m. and reconvened at 10:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK