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LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, October 16, 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 7:02 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; 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.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Harrison.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs reminded Council of the City Council Budget Workshop at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 18, 2000, at Pierce Transit Training Center.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation recognizing the student exchange delegation from Okinawa City, Okinawa, Japan.

Mayor Harrison presented a proclamation recognizing the student exchange delegation from Okinawa City, Okinawa, Japan, to Ms. Elaine Davis and Ms. Wakako Nagaoka chaperones and exchange students from Okinawa City.

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Proclamation declaring October 30 - November 3, 2000 as Youth Voting Awareness Week.

Deputy Mayor Thomas presented a proclamation declaring October 30 - November 3, 2000 as Youth Voting Awareness Week to Ms. Cathy Pearsall-Stipek, Pierce County Auditor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Dennis Haugen, Lakewood resident, spoke about proper road designs for vehicular safety and line of sight.

Richard Rabisa, #2 Thornewood Lane, spoke about the Lakewood show of "Rose Red," will go on tour to Washington, D.C.

Glenn Spieth, 5928 Steilacoom Boulevard, spoke about graffiti at the Lakewood Skatepark and suggested that the graffiti be cleaned up as soon as possible.

Jean Jamison, Lakewood CARES, spoke in support of affordable senior housing and questioned the need for 199 parking spaces at that development.

Robert Kepka, Fir Acres Trailer Court, spoke about the manager of Fir Acres was fired. He spoke about delinquency and crime is a product of the parents.

CONSENTAGENDA

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of October 2, 2000.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Special Meeting of October 9, 2000.
- C. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of October 9, 2000.
- D. Approval of payroll check numbers 103744 to 103784, in the amount of \$190,673.35, for the period September 16-30, 2000.
- E. Approval of claim voucher numbers 12481 to 12570, in the amount of \$1,597,960.63, for the period ending October 11, 2000.
- F. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:
- 1. Redevelopment Advisory Board meeting minutes of June 13, July 11, and August 8, 2000.
- 2. Planning Advisory Board meeting minutes of September 6 and September 20, 2000.

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G. Ordinance No. 245

Amending Sections 5.02.120, 5.02.130, 5.16.060, 5.20.060, 5.35.090, 5.37.080 and 5.48.040 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to late business license fees.

H. Resolution No. 2000-28

Approving the Fiscal Year 2001 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnership Act (HOME) policies.

I. Motion No. 2000-25

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with The Beckwith Group, in the amount of \$200,000, for preparing the Urban Redevelopment Plan for the Central Business District, including the Lakewood Mall and the Interstate 5/Pacific Highway corridor.

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

REGULARAGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2000-29 finalizing the Council's action on the appeal of the Hearing Examiner's decision on the Lakewood Meadows Senior Housing Planned Development District and Short Plat and related SEPA Determination appeal (Lakewood Meadows Associates Limited Partnership and Sam and Helen Wilson (appellants), Case No. LU200051).

COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2000-29. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

Deputy Mayor Thomas recommended that the Council leave the position vacated by Chuck Hinds on the Planning Advisory Board unfilled until the next recruitment process. It was the consensus of the Council to keep the position vacated by Chuck Hinds until the next recruitment process.

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NEW BUSINESS		
None.		

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BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs reported on staff's efforts to remove graffiti from the skatepark and seal it with anti-graffiti sealant.

City Manager Rohlfs reported that a pay phone will be installed in the next 5-7 days on Bridgeport Way SW adjacent to the skatepark.

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that staff is reviewing the incompatibility use of the skatepark between bicycles and skaters.

City Manager Rohlfs reported that the irrigation system at the skatepark will be over budget by a few thousand dollars.

Councilmember Humphrey asked about the City's liability with regard to the park. City Manager Rohlfs indicated that if the City does not charge for the use of the park, the City does not have any liability. City Attorney Heid spoke about the rules and regulations that the City could enforce.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Humphrey asked for an update on when the zoning code will be completed.

Councilmember Davis announced that Tacoma Light Rail and garage will have a grand opening on October 18, 2000, at noon.

Councilmember Thomas announced that Safe Streets has their annual Halloween event at the Tacoma Dome. She also indicated that Lake City will also be having a Halloween event.

Councilmember Palmas asked that staff respond to Dr. Pearson's letter about wide band Internet.

Mayor Harrison reported that the media regularly attends the City Talk meetings.

Mayor Harrison asked for an update on the emergency management exercise.

Mayor Harrison indicated that a draft letter to the Lake Steilacoom Improvement Club will be sent to Councilmembers for review.

Mayor Harrison requested thank you letters be sent to Okinawa City host families.

Mayor Harrison read a song written by Maury Peerenboom about the Lakewood Rail Station.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. BILL HARRISON, MAYOR ATTEST: ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

ADJOURNMENT

CITY CLERK