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## LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, January 16, 2001

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: 6 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Larry Humphrey; JosÃ© Palmas; Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmembers Excused: 1 - Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas (arrived at 7:25 p.m.).

Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlf; Assistant City Manager Jeff Butzlaff; City Attorney Dan Heid; Community Development Director David Bugher; Public Works Director 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 Councilmember Palmas by request of Mayor Harrison.

### REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

None.

### PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Theme Park Video.

Redevelopment/Economic Development Administrator Bock presented a video on the Great Northwest Theme Park.

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Proclamation declaring January 2001 as School Board Recognition Month.

Councilmember Davis presented a proclamation declaring January 2001 as School Board Recognition Month to Ms. Connie Coleman-Lacadie, Vice President of the Clover Park School District Board.

Proclamation declaring February 2001 as Black History Month.

Mayor Harrison read a proclamation declaring February 2001 as Black History Month.

Presentation of Crime Free Housing Certification.

Police Chief Saunders and Officer Travis presented a Crime Free Housing certificate to Olson Realty.

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Deputy Mayor Thomas arrived at 7:25 p.m.

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Presentation on human services "Bridge to the Island" project and the Business Crime Free Task Force Outreach to the Korean business community.

Ms. Mandy Ma, *My Service Mind*, presented a video of the services provided by *My Service Mind*. Police Chief Saunders reported that *My Service Mind* will be serving as an outreach liaison to the Korean business community to work toward building a crime free business community.

Lakewood Beautiful Business Awards.

Mayor Harrison presented Lakewood Beautiful Business Awards to McDonald's on 100th Street, H&L Produce, and Walgreen's on Gravelly Lake Drive SW and Bridgeport Way SW.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Speaking before the Council were:

*Dennis Haugen, 6528 Mt. Tacoma Drive, spoke against the proposed theme park because of the high number of part time seasonal positions versus full time positions that the theme park would generate. He suggested that, when the City conducts traffic studies, they be noticed and placed in the library for citizens' access and review. He suggested that the City work at building regional coalitions with other cities. He requested that 100th Street be cleaned up.*

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*Maury Peerenboom, 8720 58th Avenue SW, spoke about his treatment at Madigan Hospital and the fine medical staff. He spoke in support of the theme park. He then commented about a news article on Senator Maria Cantwell.*

*Richard Rabisa, #2 Thornewood Lane, spoke in support of the theme park. He commented on the reduction of crime in Lakewood. He emphasized the need to remove junk vehicles parked adjacent to nice homes. He reported on a problem he experienced with the U.S. mail delivery. He explained that an invitation he received that was postmarked December 29, 2000 was received after January 12, 2001.*

*Jan Hutchins, Box 98619, Lakewood Area Shelter Association (LASA), spoke about LASA's open house on February 9, 2001, from 1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. She asked that a proclamation be presented declaring February 9, 2001 as LASA Appreciation Day.*

*Parley Applegate, 14507 Woodbrook Drive, expressed appreciation to the Council and City staff for assisting the Tillicum Neighborhood Association. He also thanked the Council for supporting the police department.*

*Gary Nomensen, 3130 South 38th Street, reminded Council of the availability of the low-income utility bill assistance program offered through Pierce County Community Action Agency. He also indicated that a similar program is offered through the Salvation Army.*

*Esther Miller, 14511 Woodbrook Drive SW, expressed concern that there is no media coverage of the Tillicum area since the closure of the Lakewood Journal. She asked what will be done to the people who may be displaced with the development of the theme park. She then expressed concern about abandoned vehicles.*

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

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of December 18, 2000.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of January 8, 2001.

C. Approval of payroll check numbers 103920 to 103948, in the amount of \$162,058.22, for the period December 1 - 15, 2000.

D. Approval of payroll check numbers 103950 to 103985, in the amount of \$204,687.21, for the period December 16 - 31, 2000.

E. Approval of claim voucher numbers 13213 to 13305, in the amount of \$1,081,476.98, for the period ending

December 20, 2000.

F. Approval of claim voucher numbers 13306 to 13371, in the amount of \$592,968.68, for the period ending December 29, 2000.

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G. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

1. Planning Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 11 and 25, and November 29, 2000.
2. Community Development Block Grant Citizen's Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 25, 2000 and January 3, 2001.
3. City Events Committee meeting minutes of November 2 and 16, 2000.
4. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of November 28, 2000.
5. Lakewood Sister Cities Association Board meeting minutes of December 14, 2000.

H. [Ordinance No. 255](#)

Amending and re-establishing Chapter 5.60 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to rental housing complex license and crime free strategies.

I. [Resolution No. 2001-01](#)

Setting Monday, February 5, 2001, at approximately 7:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing to extend the moratorium for the licensing and permits of adult entertainment businesses and establishments for an additional six months.

J. [Motion No. 2001-01](#)

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Pierce College for leasing office space at the permanent City Hall.

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

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Council recessed at 8:20 p.m. and reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

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## REGULAR AGENDA

### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council to consider the vacation of a portion of San Francisco Avenue right-of-way.

Speaking before the Council were:

None.

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The hearing was declared closed.

### ORDINANCES

[Ordinance No. 256](#) vacating a portion of San Francisco Avenue right-of-way for part of a mini-storage facility (Century

21 Associates, LLC; VAC. 00-002).

**COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 256. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

None.

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

City Manager Rohlfs distributed a list of proposed agenda topics for the Council Retreat of January 27, 2001.

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of a brief for the Comprehensive Plan appeal scheduled to be heard on January 22, 2001, and a settlement proposal from the appellant.

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that a contract extension was provided to Mr. Robert Mack, in the amount of \$23,000, for lobbying services.

City Manager Rohlfs commented that the agreement with the developer on the theme park will be extended through April 30, 2002.

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that City staff will be providing Council with limited copies of the proposed zoning information for adult entertainment businesses and sexually oriented businesses due to the volume of the document.

Council directed City staff to set a public hearing on the proposed zoning ordinance on adult entertainment and sexually oriented businesses.

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City Manager Rohlfs indicated that the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Division is proposing that, instead of filling the GIS position, that the City hire an Information Systems position to bring a web page master in-house and provide desktop application services. City Manager Rohlfs explained that for 2001, there would be a savings of \$15,000. In the 2002 budget, GIS may request that the GIS position be filled. Council requested that this item be placed on the Council's Retreat agenda as a topic of discussion.

Deputy Thomas spoke about the need for developing a strategic vision for the City.

#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Humphrey commented on the Tacoma Gyros meeting and praised Mayor Harrison for a fabulous presentation on the theme park.

Councilmember Davis reported that she will be out of town on January 27, 2001 and will not be able to attend the Council Retreat. She suggested that the topic of community relations and communications be placed on the Council's Retreat agenda.

Councilmember Davis indicated that Lowe's is requesting that the City notify them on who will be attending the grand opening ceremony.

Councilmember Davis commented on the *City Connections* newsletter.

Councilmember Davis reported on the *First Night* parade she attended on behalf of the City Council.

Councilmember Richardson asked if the Comprehensive Plan appeal document is a public document. He noted that

the document clearly highlighted the difference between low-income housing and substandard housing.

Councilmember Richardson indicated that a large part of the area proposed for the theme park has been used as a dumping area, and it is also a flooding area.

With regard to some of the public comments that were made earlier about the Council needing to do more regional efforts, Councilmember Richardson explained that the Council is doing regional efforts with the County, and soon, the Council will be holding a joint meeting with the Tacoma City Council.

Councilmember Richardson indicated that he would encourage the City to work toward not being dependent on sales tax equalization.

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Councilmember Richardson suggested that the Council send a letter of condolence to Mr. Bob Schuyler in the passing of Mary Schuyler who was very active in the community.

Councilmember Richardson requested that the City respond to a code enforcement letter from a Lake City citizen.

Councilmember Richardson requested that a Councilmember attend the Springbrook Neighborhood meeting on Thursday, January 18, 2001.

Councilmember Thomas indicated that the *Safe Streets* meeting minutes will be distributed to Council.

Councilmember Palmas asked who provided the Council with copies of an informational document on Growth Management Act Planning. Community Development Director Bugher indicated that the document came from the Community Development Department.

Councilmember Palmas commented on a letter from the Washington State Department of Energy with regard to a settlement agreement with the Bonneville Power Administration and the financial benefits. He asked that Council be provided clarification on the meaning of the letter.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reported that the Human Services agencies funded by the City will be making presentations before the Council about their projects at future Council meetings.

Deputy Mayor Thomas congratulated Building Inspector/Plans Examiner David Ralph for his great customer service, according to comments provided by the industrial park.

Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on the City's letter with regard to upgrading the fuel tanks at American Lake Park.

Mayor Harrison reported on the International Business District Committee meeting.

Mayor Harrison reported on the *Coffee with the Mayor* meeting. He indicated that twenty bankers attended the meeting. The next meeting will be held at St. Clare Hospital.

Mayor Harrison commented on a letter from Governor Locke to encourage Mayors throughout the State to do something in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. He indicated that *Keep Lakewood Beautiful* sponsored an activity in which youths and citizens helped plant 100 trees and plants at Ardmore and Steilacoom Boulevard.

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Mayor Harrison noted that a meeting is being scheduled with some Councilmembers and a member of the Mayor's Select Committee.

Mayor Harrison commented on a speech that he gave a third grade class at Park Lodge Elementary on career day.

Mayor Harrison indicated that the Great Northwest Theme Park is asking for names of citizens to invite to their meetings. Mayor Harrison asked Councilmembers to provide staff with any names they want passed on to Great Northwest.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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**BILL HARRISON, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ALICE M. BUSH, CMC**

**CITY CLERK**