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**LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES**

**Monday, January 22, 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; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Larry Humphrey; JosÃ© Palmas and Sherri Thomas.

Councilmember Absent: 1 - Councilmember Doug Richardson (arrived at 7:20 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; Public Works Director Bill Larkin; Police Chief Larry Saunders; Human Resources & Services Director Debi Young and General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

Ft. Steilacoom Park sports field renovation conceptual plan.

Mr. Roger Laybourn, Parks Advisory Board Chair, provided an overview of improvements proposed for Fort Steilacoom Park.

Mr. Lynn Horn, Landscape Park Architect, LW Horn and Associates, presented a conceptual plan of the sports field renovation at Fort Steilacoom Park.

He indicated that six soccer fields are proposed to be improved. He pointed out where restroom facilities, concession facilities, public walkways, and additional parking lots would be located.

Discussion ensued on providing family picnic areas.

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He then pointed out where the baseball fields would be located. He indicated that the schematic designs would be completed in the spring and bidding of this project would occur before the winter holidays. The project will be under construction from January - April 2002 with its opening scheduled for 2003. The fields would be closed for 1½ years.

Discussion ensued about informing the Clover Park School District about the proposed improvements; preserving large trees in the park; siting of restrooms; ensuring sewer is available for servicing the park; informing the public on the proposed improvements and discussing this proposal with The News Tribune Editorial Board.

Review of business and community surveys process.

Assistant City Manager Butzlaff introduced Ms. Carolyn Browne, a consultant, who would be conducting the City's business and community surveys.

Ms. Browne indicated that she will be conducting focus group meetings with Lakewood citizens, and the business community to develop a questionnaire for each of the surveys.

Discussion ensued on the timing of the survey in consideration of when the sign code regulations will be presented to the business community.

Ms. Browne asked the Council to think about what questions the Council would like answered from the public.

Discussion ensued on phone surveys, how the addresses will be validated, surveying the military bases, who should be attending the workshops such as the Cityhood Transition Teams, providing Council with copies of the survey questionnaire prior to implementation; getting notification out to the community about the survey and possibly using KLAY radio station to get the word out; getting surveys from all geographical areas of the city; and how the 'call block' phone system feature would affect the phone surveys.

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Council recessed at 8:30 p.m. and reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

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Establishing Chapter 18A.12 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to sexually oriented businesses and regulating the location of such uses.

Community Development Director Bugher reviewed the proposed ordinance relative to sexually oriented businesses and the location of such uses.

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Discussion ensued on meeting the criteria provided by the courts in which adult businesses could locate; the proposed ordinance requiring every sexually oriented business to relocate except Lipstix; why Clover Park Technical College was not considered as a receptor in the analysis; how the air corridor land use designation affected the relocation of sexually oriented businesses; charging businesses for administrative costs to process application extension requests.

Authorizing the expenditure of City funds to abate public nuisances at 5421 Steilacoom Boulevard, 14610 Washington Avenue SW, 12116 Vernon Avenue SW, 12102 Cochise Lane SW, and 7305 146th Street SW; and to take steps necessary to recover expenditure of said funds.

Community Development Director Bugher reviewed the properties recommended to be abated.

Discussion ensued on notifying the Temple Bethel of abating the property at Home of Peace Cemetery at 5421 Steilacoom Boulevard; no sewer system on Cochise Lane SW and assisting the homeowner with obtaining a Pierce County sewer permit.

**ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE FEBRUARY 13, 2001 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:**

1. Establishing Chapter 18A.12 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to sexually oriented businesses and regulating the location of such uses. - (Ordinance)
2. Authorizing the expenditure of City funds to abate public nuisances at 5421 Steilacoom Boulevard, 14610 Washington Avenue SW, 12116 Vernon Avenue SW, 12102 Cochise Lane SW, and 7305 146th Street SW; and to take steps necessary to recover expenditure of said funds. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)
3. This is 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. - *City Attorney*
4. This is the date set for a public hearing regarding a moratorium that has been established relative to the receipt of applications and issuance of permits for certain land use and higher density short plats, long plats/subdivisions and planned development districts. - *Community Development Director*

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**5. Authorizing the use of certified electronic signatures relative to the speed and stop light enforcement programs and declaring an emergency making necessary the passage of this ordinance. - (Ordinance - Consent Agenda)**

**6. Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Cities of Fife and Puyallup for the administration of Domestic Violence STOP Grant funds through June 30, 2001. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)**

**7. Extending the moratorium for the licensing and permits of adult entertainment businesses and establishments for an additional six months through August 28, 2001. - (Resolution)**

**8. This is the date set for a public hearing relative to establishing Chapter 18A.12 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to sexually oriented businesses and regulating the location of such uses. - *Community Development Director***

There were no comments.

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

City Manager Rohlfs reported that there will be no Council meeting on January 29, 2001.

City Manager Rohlfs reported on the Comprehensive Plan appeal before the Growth Management Hearing Board.

City Manager Rohlfs asked if Council had any changes to the final draft of the January 27, 2001 Council Retreat to provide the changes to General Services Director/City Clerk Bush.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that Mr. Arch McLean has resigned as Lakewood's representative from the Convention Center Board and a replacement must be found.

City Manager Rohlfs reported that when the 2000 election on the zoo tax was approved, a Zoo Advisory Board was created and one elected official from Lakewood must be appointed to the Board.

Deputy Mayor Thomas requested that the utility Resolution on energy conservation be placed on the Council's Retreat agenda.

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#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Thomas asked what portion of the 60-foot right-of-way on Hipkins Road does the City own. Public Works Director Larkin indicated that the right-of-way is a perpetual easement and taxes are not paid on the right-of-way.

Councilmember Richardson asked what road construction projects are scheduled in the spring and to provide the Council with a list.

Councilmember Richardson commented about Lowe's Lakewood store "soft" opening period prior to its grand opening.

Councilmember Davis announced that she will not be attending the January 27, 2001 Council Retreat.

Councilmember Humphrey commented on the Springbrook Neighborhood Association meeting and questions raised at the meeting. He indicated that the Neighborhood Association asked that a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) representative attend the Springbrook Neighborhood Association meetings.

Councilmember Humphrey reported that a citizen approached him regarding his concerns about the school district.

Councilmember Humphrey reported that a new bus route is being started by Pierce Transit beginning at Interstate 5 and State Route 512.

Councilmember Palmas reported on the City's response to a citizen's request for installing a stop sign at Tower and 112th Street.

Councilmember Palmas reported on the discussions at the Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) meeting. Councilmember Palmas indicated that the Pierce County Regional Council is considering to build a school and extending sewer to the school which will be located outside the urban growth boundary. He explained that Lakewood's position is to build sewers in the urban growth boundary first before going outside the urban growth boundary. GMCC cities who voted against the proposal included Tacoma, Puyallup, Fife and Lakewood. PCRC cities of Sumner and Steilacoom have reservations about this project. Councilmember Palmas asked for Council's direction on what Lakewood's position should be. It was the consensus of the Council to vote "No" on this proposal. He reported that Pierce County Regional Council has requested that the City sign the interlocal agreement amending the PCRC bylaws. He announced that the yearly Pierce County Regional Council General Assembly will be held on February 15, 2001 at the Edgewood Grange at 7:00 p.m.

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Councilmember Thomas reported on citizens' comments she received from citizens about the flashing school zone lights.

Mayor Harrison complimented Lowe's for their opening ceremony.

Mayor Harrison asked for an update on the San Moritz appeal. City Manager Rohlfs reported that the San Moritz developer has offered a trade settlement. Instead of undergrounding the utilities along Idlewild, the developer is proposing to leave the power lines up and construct sidewalks, curb, gutter and bike lanes up to Idlewild School. Council concurred with the settlement.

Mayor Harrison requested staff to include in the informational bullets when the neighborhood association meetings will be held.

Mayor Harrison reported on a County Executive meeting he attended regarding the Crossbase Highway.

Mayor Harrison reminded Council to submit names of citizens to be placed on the Great Northwest Theme Park meeting invitation list.

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

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Council recessed into Executive Session at 10:45 p.m. and reconvened at 11:15 p.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

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BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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**ALICE M. BUSH, CMC**

**CITY CLERK**