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## LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 2, 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 7:05 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

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

Councilmember Excused: 1 - Councilmember Larry Humphrey.

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; and General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush.

### FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Shirley Petersen by request of Mayor Harrison.

### REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs introduced Charleen Jacobs, Executive Assistant, to the City Manager.

City Manager Rohlfs reviewed some of the discrepancies with the U.S. Census Bureau data and explained what City staff is doing to rectify the discrepancies.

City Manager Rohlfs announced the dates, times and locations of the Redevelopment Plan workshops being held this week for citizens outreach.

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### PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Youth Advisors' Report.

Youth Advisor Chan reported that approximately 2000 youth hours have been tabulated for working on Lakewood's Promise. She reported that the Youth Advisors are working to secure a speaker on drug and alcohol for the Youth's Forum and possibly getting credit for attending. Youth Advisors are also working on a public service announcement on energy conservation.

Proclamation declaring April 2, 2001 as Fenya Crown Day.

Mayor Harrison presented a proclamation declaring April 2, 2001 as Fenya Crown Day to Mrs. Fenya Crown.

Update of Critical Issues Task Force on Domestic Violence.

Prosecuting Attorney Anneke Berry provided an update on the Critical Issues Task Force on Domestic Violence and the coordination and educational opportunities being provided to those interested on the prevention of domestic violence.

**Presentation on the Farwest Drive Beautification Project.**

Mr. Bob Droll, Landscape Architect, presented three conceptual gateway signs for Pierce College. He explained that Concept A is projected at a cost of \$135,000 - \$160,000, inclusive of the message center. The cost of the message center only is approximately \$50,000. The cost for Concept B is \$90,000 - \$100,000 and the cost for Concept C is \$40,000 - \$80,000. He explained that Dr. Michele Johnson at Pierce College preferred Concept A.

Public Works Director Larkin indicated that Concept A may have some sign code issues that would need to be worked out.

Discussion ensued on the owners of the Pierce College land; landscaping design and irrigation; visibility of Concept A sign from Steilacoom Boulevard; not having a message center sign; and keeping the color scheme uniform.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Speaking before the Council were:

*Janne Hutchins, Lakewood Area Shelter Association (LASA), encouraged the Council to support Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for improvements to the LASA Client Service Center.*

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*Shirley Petersen, Keep Lakewood Beautiful Committee, spoke about placing benches at the improvements made at Custer and Ardmore and at 112th Street. She then asked for help with funding the benches.*

*Jesse Treagle, 3505 South Orchard Street, spoke about the ERA report on the theme park and expressed concern about environmental impacts along Clover Creek.*

*Gary Nomensen, Puget Sound Energy, reported on Puget Sound Energy's automated metering system. He announced that the State Legislative hearing on real time pricing will be held on April 11, 2001. He spoke about a rebate for those who conserve energy.*

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

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of March 19, 2001.
  - B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of March 26, 2001.
  - C. Approval of payroll check numbers 104117 to 104146, in the amount of \$164,221.63, for the period March 1 - 15, 2001.
  - D. Approval of claim voucher numbers 13930 to 14094, in the amount of \$1,335,800.52 for the period ending March 21, 2001.
  - E. Approval of claim voucher numbers 14095 to 14158, in the amount of \$895,058.01, for the period ending March 28, 2001.
  - F. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:
    - 1. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of February 27, 2001.
  - G. [Ordinance No. 261](#)
- Granting the Lakewood Water District a nonexclusive franchise to construct, maintain, operate, replace and repair water systems in public rights-of-way through December 31, 2001.

#### **H. Motion No. 2001-08**

Voting for Councilmember Ann Kirk Davis as the Position Two representative to serve on the Zoo/Trek Authority Board for a three-year term.

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

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#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

##### **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS**

This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council on the Fiscal Year 2001 Consolidated Annual Action Plan.

Speaking before the Council were:

*Andie Gernon, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of funding the Springbrook Community Center in order to deliver services to the Springbrook neighborhood.*

*Modena LaCasse, Tillicum Community Center, spoke in support of CDBG funding for the operations of the Tillicum Community Center.*

*Patty Rusnak, Communities In Schools, spoke in support of CDBG funding for the Springbrook Community Center.*

*Joy Browne, Safe Streets Campaign, spoke in support of CDBG funding for the Springbrook Community Center and the need for a meeting place for neighborhood residents and a recreation area for youths.*

*Ken Jones, 907 69th Avenue E, Lincoln Avenue Apartments, Springbrook Neighborhood Association, spoke in support of funding for the Springbrook Community Center.*

*Sallie Shawl, Associated Ministries, spoke in support of funding the Paint-Tacoma Pierce Beautiful project.*

*Pay Reehl, Springbrook resident, spoke in support of funding Springbrook Community Center.*

*Doug Swanberg, Metropolitan Development Council, spoke about providing a family support center in the proposed Springbrook Community Center. He asked for Council's support of funding the Springbrook Community Center.*

*Parley Applegate, Tillicum Community Center, spoke in support of all the CDBG projects being proposed for funding.*

*Larry Saunders, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of funding the Springbrook Community Center.*

*Jim Senko, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of CDBG funds for Wards Lake Phase II acquisition project*

The hearing was declared closed.

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##### **APPOINTMENTS**

**[Resolution No. 2001-12](#)** appointing Mayor Bill Harrison, Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis and Doug Richardson to the Joint City-County Open Space Taxation Determination Board to administer the Public Benefit Rating System for ranking open space land current use assessments within the City of Lakewood and Pierce County.

**DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS MOVED TO APPOINT MAYOR BILL HARRISON, COUNCILMEMBERS ANN KIRK DAVIS AND DOUG RICHARDSON TO THE JOINT CITY-COUNTY OPEN SPACE TAXATION DETERMINATION BOARD. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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Council recessed at 9:15 p.m. and reconvened at 9:25 p.m.

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## RESOLUTIONS

[Resolution No. 2001-13](#) requesting the Governor and the Secretary of the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services to review the funding allocation methodology and impacts regarding Western State Hospital.

COUNCILMEMBER DAVIS MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2001-13 TO INCLUDE AMENDING SECTION I, ITEM D TO READ "To designate resources that could be used to mitigate the disproportionate impacts." SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion No. 2001-07 (tabled from the March 19, 2001 Council meeting) authorizing the consideration of an agreement with The Humane Society for Tacoma and Pierce County for animal control services.

It was the consensus of the Council to continue Motion No. 2001-07 to the April 16, 2001 Council meeting.

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Mayor Harrison announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 40 minutes to discuss land acquisition.

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Council recessed into Executive Session at 10:40 p.m. and reconvened at 11:15 p.m.

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## NEW BUSINESS

Motion No. 2001-09 authorizing the City Manager to execute various purchase and sale agreements of properties in northeast Springbrook to facilitate the development of the Great Northwest Theme Park.

DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE VARIOUS PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENTS OF PROPERTIES IN NORTHEAST SPRINGBROOK, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7.7 MILLION, TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST THEME PARK. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER PALMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs reported that on the first day of automated photo enforcement, warnings were issued as follows:

7:50 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Woodbrook Middle School 25 violations

11:50 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Custer Elementary 66 violations

8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Idlewild Elementary 0 violations

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of the *City Connections* newsletter and asked Council to provide Redevelopment/Economic Development Administrator Bock with their comments by April 6, 2001.

## CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

There were no comments.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.**

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**BILL HARRISON, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ALICE M. BUSH, CMC**  
**CITY CLERK**