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LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, April 23, 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 7:25 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 Excused: 1 - Councilmember Doug Richardson.

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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:

Identifying Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 34 as a procedure for recording fixed assets.

Finance and Systems Director Kidd explained that the City will be required to conform to the new Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 34 regulations in 2002. Staff is recommending that the City increase its fixed asset limits to \$5,000 to comply with the new requirements. The requirements also apply to all infrastructure assets such as curbs, gutters and sidewalks.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE MAY 7, 2001 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Identifying Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 34 as a procedure for recording fixed assets. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)

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2. Proclamation declaring May 7-11, 2001 as National Tourism Week. - *Ms. Ruthie Reinhert, Executive Director, Tacoma-Pierce County Visitor & Convention Bureau*

3. Proclamation declaring May 16, 2001 as Relatives Raising Children Day. - *Ms. Edith Owen, Coordinator, Child & Family Guidance Center*

4. Proclamation declaring May 14-18, 2001 as Police Week. - *Police Chief Larry Saunders*

5. Briefing on the Lakewood Youth Mission. - *Mr. Dave O'Keeffe, Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation and Youth Ministry, St. Frances Cabrini, and Ms. Terri Nelson, Youth Minister, St. John Bosco Church*

6. Presentation of Lakewood Beautiful Business Awards. - *Redevelopment/Economic Development Administrator*

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlf reported that after the first week of the implementation of the school speed photo enforcement project, 130 warning citations were issued daily; 95 citations were issued daily in the second week; and 70 citations were issued daily in the third week.

City Manager Rohlf stated that the status of the House Initiative 695 backfill to Lakewood is now at an 18 percent reduction.

City Manager Rohlf distributed the March 2001 monthly crime and incident report. He stated that the 2001 year-to-date statistics show that violent crimes are down 9.9 percent and property crimes are down 19.4 percent from 2000.

City Manager Rohlf distributed copies of a letter from Senator Shirley Winsley about the sex offender facility on McNeil Island.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Humphrey commented on the Korean Business District meeting he attended on April 19, 2001. He reported on the Lakewood Historical Society presentation.

Councilmember Humphrey commented on the Springbrook Neighborhood Association meeting. He reported that the Association is interested in installing more streetlights in the neighborhood with private funding and asked that staff organize a meeting to bring the Association and Lakeview Light and Power together. He then commented on the Safe Streets meeting he attended.

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Councilmember Humphrey commented on the McKinnon Hall dedication ceremony he attended at Tillicum Community Center.

Councilmember Palmas reported on a presentation he made before the Nyanza/Ponders neighborhood group about the Sound Transit station and the theme park.

Councilmember Palmas asked about the possibility of establishing an "adopt a streetlight" program.

Councilmember Palmas commented on a Lakeview neighborhood meeting he attended.

Councilmember Palmas spoke about the Law Enforcement Support Agency's (LESA) governance and asked for Council's input on whether the City would be interested in contracting directly with LESA in order to have a seat on the LESA Board. Councilmembers requested more information on the pros and cons of LESA's proposal.

Deputy Mayor Thomas congratulated those who participated on creating the Daffodil Float.

Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on the McKinnon Hall dedication ceremony.

Deputy Mayor Thomas asked Police Chief Saunders to report on the Department of Justice conference meeting about a \$150,000 gang-free community grant.

Mayor Harrison congratulated Deputy Mayor Thomas, Police Chief Saunders, Public Works Director Larkin and Community Development Director Bugher for leveraging State, local and federal grant funds.

Mayor Harrison commented on a briefing he attended with Congressman Norm Dicks.

Mayor Harrison commented on a function he attended about the Pierce County Library system.

Mayor Harrison commented on the Daffodil Float parade and thanked Mr. Chris Kealy for the design of the float.

Mayor Harrison commented on the 2001 Audit team meeting.

Mayor Harrison asked for Council's input on the appointments of members to the Ad Hoc Citizens' Advisory Committee for Puget Sound Energy.

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Mayor Harrison asked Councilmembers to mark their calendars for June 25 - 29, 2001 to participate in the Okinawa City's delegation visiting tours that are being organized.

Mayor Harrison asked Councilmembers to e-mail members of the Legislative House to support the Initiative 695 backfill.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC
CITY CLERK