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## LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, July 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 7:03 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 4 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Larry Humphrey and JosÃ© Palmas.

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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; 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.

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Deputy Mayor Thomas congratulated Mayor Harrison on his birthday and members of the audience sang "Happy Birthday."

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### REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs announced that on Monday, July 9, 2001, there will be a Joint Council and Planning Advisory Board meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Council's Study Session.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that the Lakewood Mall was sold to MBK Northwest, from Portland, Oregon.

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### PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Legislative Update.

Mr. Robert Mack, Lobbyist, reported on the Initiative 695 backfill funding at the current level. He also reported on the sexual predator facility Bill at McNeil Island. He noted that, in terms of economic development, House Bill 1418 did pass but is of limited use to municipalities. He reported that the theme park Bill did get out of the House Revenue Committee but did not go any further. There was limited success on the pilot traffic photo enforcement issue. He

reported on the Growth Management Act and the enhanced transportation budget.

Discussion ensued on impacts concerning the closing of some of the programs at Western State Hospital; Initiative 695 backfill funding; and getting the word out to citizens about the sexual predator public hearings required to be held by the Legislature.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Speaking before the Council were:

*Glen Spieth, 5928 Steilacoom Boulevard, Lakewood Historical Society, spoke about his disappointment with the Society's contract with the City and the requirement for liability insurance. He explained that members of the Society are interested in helping the City. He spoke about placing historical markers at historical sites.*

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**A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of June 18, 2001.**

**B. Approval of payroll check numbers 104336 to 104370, in the amount of \$173,261.94, for the period June 1 - 15, 2001.**

**C. Approval of claim voucher numbers 14936 to 15030, in the amount of \$1,305,251.32, for the period ending June 28, 2001.**

**D. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:**

**1. Lakewood's Promise/Collaboration Team All Partners meeting minutes of January 12, February 14, March 14, April 11, May 9, and June 13, 2001.**

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**E. Motion No. 2001-22**

**Awarding a bid to Wagner Development, Inc., in the amount of \$321,237, for the construction of storm drainage improvements on Hipkins Road.**

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

#### **R E G U L A R A G E N D A**

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

**Motion No. 2001-23 appointing Robert Arndt, William Cable, Diane Nokelby and Glen Spieth to the Planning Advisory Board.**

**MAYOR HARRISON MOVED TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENTS OF ROBERT ARNDT, WILLIAM CABLE, DIANE NOKELBY AND GLEN SPIETH TO THE PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**None.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**None.**

**None.**

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

City Manager Rohlf provided an update on Pierce County Executive Ladenburg's report on the Chambers Creek park properties. He reported that the park trail will be proceeding.

City Manager Rohlf reported that two pitbulls mauled a 10-year old boy in the Tillicum area and a total of 9 pitbulls were seized. He noted that the 10-year old boy is in satisfactory condition.

City Manager Rohlf reported on the Okinawa City delegation visit and that the gifts from the delegation will be displayed and kept at the new City Hall.

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#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Humphrey commented on the Latino Voice Channel 29 program hosted by Councilmember Palmas.

Councilmember Humphrey reported on the *Forward Together* Transportation Committee meeting.

Councilmember Palmas reported on the annual meeting of the Pierce County Executive Council in which he spoke about Lakewood's gateway to international involvement because of Lakewood's proximity to the military bases, its international district, international festival, and its diverse community. Councilmember Palmas commented about the Pierce County Regional Council Transportation Committee.

Councilmember Palmas commented on the Pierce County Executive's letter with regard to the police contract.

Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on the National Conference of Volunteers seminar she and Andie Gernon attended and noted that the Lakewood's Promise was recognized for its accomplishments.

Mayor Harrison reported on the Tacoma Community Playhouse's interest in coming to the Lakewood Colonial Theatre.

Mayor Harrison commented on the Okinawa City delegation visit to Lakewood in formalizing a sister city relationship. He thanked General Services Director/City Clerk Bush, Administrative Secretary Tes Ongoco and Lakewood Sister Cities Association President Pat Cavendish for their work in organizing the event.

Mayor Harrison commented on the July 1, 2001 Summer Concert in the Park at Park Lodge Elementary School. He thanked Assistant City Manager Butzlaff and Administrative Secretary Suzi Riley for organizing the event.

Mayor Harrison commented on the Keep Lakewood Beautiful meeting and their concerns about installing park benches, erecting signs and issues about their post office box.

Mayor Harrison asked for an update on the testing of algae in Lake Steilacoom. Public Works Director Larkin indicated that testing at this time is not practical with the algae bloom.

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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**BILL HARRISON, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ALICE M. BUSH, CMC**

**CITY CLERK**