LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, November 13, 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 7:52 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Larry Humphrey; José Palmas; Doug Richardson and Sherri Thomas.

Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; Assistant City Manager Jeff Butzlaff; City Attorney Dan Heid; Financial Operations Manager Connie Jones; Community Development Director David Bugher; Public Works Director Bill Larkin; Police Chief Larry Saunders; Human Resources & Services Director Debi Young; General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush; Community Relations Manager Candice Bock and Parks Manager Mary Dodsworth.

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Mayor Harrison and members of the Council wished Councilmember Palmas a happy birthday and the Council and members of the audience sang "Happy Birthday."

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ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Granting the City of Tacoma Department of Public Utilities, Water Division, the right, privilege, authority and nonexclusive franchise for twenty years, to construct, maintain, operate, replace, repair and renew a water distribution and transmission system and accessories within certain designated public rights-of-way of the city of Lakewood.

City Attorney Heid briefly reviewed the proposed 20-year water franchise with the City of Tacoma to operate in certain rights-of-way in Lakewood.

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Discussion ensued on the water utility tax; making Lakewood Water District aware of the City's intent to grant a water franchise; reasons for granting a 20-year franchise; and the number of households that are served by the Tacoma Public Utilities.

Amending various sections of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to the Comprehensive Plan.

Community Development Director Bugher reviewed fifteen proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments.

Discussion ensued on reasons for the proposed land use and zoning amendments.

Adopting the 2002 Program Level I and II funding allocations for human services and authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements for said services.

Human Resources and Services Director Young reviewed the Program Level I and II funding allocations for human services projects.

Discussion ensued on the Greater Lakes Mental Healthcare Parent Connections program, and reason for not funding the YMCA's request.

Authorizing the City Manager to execute an addendum to the agreement with Merritt + Pardini, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$87,380, for additional design services for the Main Street construction project.

Public Works Director Larkin reviewed the addendum to the agreement with Merritt+Pardini for additional design of the Main Street construction project. He explained that the additional design provides for the roundabout on Main Street.

Discussion ensued on the closure of Wildaire Road.

Authorizing the City Manager to accept pilot projects from the Washington Traffic Safety Commission for the continuation of the City's Automated Traffic Enforcement Program; and authorizing the City Manager to execute an addendum to the agreement with ACS State and Local Solutions, Inc., to continue providing camera equipment and citation processing services for the pilot projects.

Public Works Director Larkin reviewed the continuation of the City's Automated Traffic Enforcement Program.

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

1. Granting the City of Tacoma Department of Public Utilities, Water Division, the right, privilege, authority and nonexclusive franchise for twenty years, to construct, maintain, operate, replace, repair and renew a water distribution and transmission system and accessories within certain designated public rights-of-way of the city of Lakewood. - (Ordinance - Consent Agenda)

2. Adopting the 2002 Program Level I and II funding allocations for human services and authorizing the City Manager to execute agreements for said services. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

3. Authorizing the City Manager to execute an addendum to the agreement with Merritt + Pardini, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$87,380, for additional design services for the Main Street construction project. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

4. Authorizing the City Manager to accept pilot projects from the Washington Traffic Safety Commission for the continuation of the City's Automated Traffic Enforcement Program; and authorizing the City Manager to execute an addendum to the agreement with ACS State and Local Solutions, Inc., to continue providing camera equipment and citation processing services for the pilot projects. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

5. Presentation of Lakewood Landscaping Awards. - Community Relations Manager Candice Bock

6. Authorizing the expenditure of City funds to abate public nuisances at 12825 Gravelly Lake Drive SW; and to take steps necessary to recover expenditure of said funds. - (Resolution - Consent Agenda)

7. Appointing an individual to serve on the Redevelopment Advisory Board. - (Motion)

8. Establishing the 2002 ad valorem property tax levy at \$1.4535 per thousand dollars of assessed value. - (Ordinance)

9. Adopting the 2002 City of Lakewood Budget. - (Ordinance)

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs distributed copies of a letter from the State suspending the agreement of the acquisition of

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City Manager Rohlfs announced that the November 19, 2001 City Council meeting will be held at the new City Hall. City Hall phones will shut down at 3:30 p.m. on November 16, 2001 in order to prepare for the move to the new City Hall.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that on November 30, 2001, the City Hall Dedication Ceremony will begin at noon, and an open house will be held from 1:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and on December 1, 2001, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Richardson announced that tonight is the last night for holding a Council meeting at the Lakes Professional Center.

Councilmember Thomas asked why a survey was being done at Interlaaken and Washington Boulevard.

Councilmember Palmas reported that the Law Enforcement Support Agency's (LESA) funding will be cut by the City of Tacoma because of Tacoma's budget reductions.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reminded the Council that she will not be attending the November 19, 2001 Council meeting.

Mayor Harrison reported on the Lakes High School Veterans' Day ceremony he attended.

Mayor Harrison commented that 20 people attended the Coffee with the Mayor session.

Mayor Harrison commented on the City staff's Veterans' Day commemoration which he took part in.

Mayor Harrison reported on the Park Lodge Elementary School's Veterans' Day ceremony.

Mayor Harrison noted that McDonald's hosted a fundraising event for Park Lodge Elementary.

Mayor Harrison announced that Safeway will hold its grand opening on November 14, 2001, at 7:30 a.m.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK