# LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, November 26, 2001

**City of Lakewood** 

**City Council Chambers** 

6000 Main Street SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 6 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Ann Kirk Davis; Larry Humphrey; José 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; General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush; Community Relations Manager Candice Bock and Parks Manager Mary Dodsworth.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:** 

Review of 2002 legislative priorities.

Mr. Bob Mack, Lobbyist, spoke about Lakewood's Legislative Priorities which included the continuation of Initiative 695 backfill funding, relief for sales tax equalization cities, additional revenue tools, McNeil Island impacts, mitigation funding for Western State Hospital impacts, transportation funding for Bridgeport Way and State Route 512 interchange, regional transportation funding, Sound Transit revenue, Pierce Transit support, photo enforcement program, funding of mental health programs, Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC)

Parks funding, funding for the construction of a community college, and the retention of current city revenue authority.

Discussion ensued on establishing a meeting with affected neighboring jurisdictions relative to the McNeil Island impacts mitigation funding; asking Western State Hospital what their concerns are with funding reductions; and the impacts with regard to the Endangered Species Act.

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Authorizing the execution of an addendum to the agreement with Lakewood Refuse Services, Inc. relative to garbage collection services.

City Attorney Heid reviewed the addendum to the agreement for garbage collection services, which provides assurance to Lakewood Refuse and its certification if Lakewood chooses not to provide this utility.

Review of Wards Lake property acquisition.

Parks Manager Dodsworth reviewed the City's proposal to acquire a 0.56-acre property (Phase III) with a private residence for Wards Lake Park. She explained that the Phase III acquisition for the development of that site with an IAC grant has been suspended.

Discussion ensued on the use of a private triangular parcel in the center of the 20-acre parks site; the purchase and sale agreement; and timing of submitting a waiver of retroactivity on the suspension and the option for purchase and sale agreement deadline. It was the consensus of the Council to submit a waiver of retroactivity and extend the option for the purchase and sale agreement.

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Council recessed at 8:25 p.m. and reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

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Authorizing the execution of an option to purchase agreement with ATC Realty Sixteen, Inc., in the amount of \$929,622, for the acquisition of property on the Lakewood Mall site; and authorizing the execution of an option agreement with ATC Realty Sixteen, Inc. and MBK Northwest, in the amount of \$1,071,000, for the 59th Avenue roadway.

City Manager Rohlfs reviewed the option to purchase agreement with ATC Realty Sixteen, Inc. relative to the extension of 59th Street to Main Street and a half acre parcel immediately adjacent to City Hall along Main Street.

Discussion ensued on determining the sales tax base with the redevelopment at the Mall; and providing to the Council a status report prior to the purchase agreement.

Authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, for enlarging the Hosmer Street Holding Basin/Wards Lake/gravel pit drainage system located south of South 84th Street and east of Hosmer Road.

Public Works Director Larkin reviewed the proposed interlocal agreement with Pierce County for enlarging the Hosmer Street holding basin located south of South 84th Street and east of Hosmer Road to help reduce flooding from that drainage system around the areas of Wards Lake.

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Discussion ensued on the shared costs for the holding basin enlargement with Pierce County and the City of Tacoma; and how the project will benefit Lakewood citizens who have been affected by flooding.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE DECEMBER 3, 2001 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Authorizing the execution of an addendum to the agreement with Lakewood Refuse Services, Inc. relative to garbage collection services. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

2. Authorizing the execution of an option to purchase agreement with ATC Realty Sixteen, Inc., in the amount of \$929,622, for the acquisition of property on the Lakewood Mall site; and authorizing the execution of an option agreement with ATC Realty Sixteen, Inc. and MBK Northwest, in the amount of \$1,071,000, for the 59th Avenue roadway. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

3. Authorizing the execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Pierce County, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, for enlarging the Hosmer Street Holding Basin/Wards Lake/gravel pit drainage system located south of South 84th Street and east of Hosmer Road. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

4. Review of the Tillicum Beautification Project.

5. Proclamation recognizing Jean and Sandy Mazzei.

6. This is the date set for an appeal before the City Council regarding the Hearing Examiner's decision on the Eagle Pointe Planned Development District Shoreline Substantial Development Permit to construct five joint-use docks to serve adjacent shoreline lots. (Case No. LU200049)

7. Awarding a bid to Ceccanti, Inc., in the amount of \$746,292, for the construction of curbs, gutters, sidewalks, street lighting, street trees, and drainage improvements on both sides of South Tacoma Way from 96th Street to Steilacoom Boulevard. - (Motion - Consent Agenda)

8. Appointing individuals to the Landmarks and Heritage Advisory Board. - (Motion)

7. Appointing a Municipal Court Judge from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2006. - (Motion)

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## **BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Rohlfs announced that the City Hall Dedication Ceremony begins on November 30, 2001, at noon; followed by an open house from 1:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., and on December 1, 2001, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. He added that the Annual Tree Lighting will be held on November 30, 2001, beginning at 4:00 p.m., with a holiday celebration at 4:30 p.m. He announced that the awards banquet will be held on December 1, 2001, at the American Lake Beach.

City Manager Rohlfs reported that no Council meeting is required for December 17, 2001. There is a Special Meeting scheduled for December 10, 2001 followed by a Study Session.

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Humphrey reported that the Pierce Transit Board approved a 0.3 percent sales tax increase to submit to the voters in February 2002.

Councilmember Palmas asked about a letter from the Building Official. City Manager Rohlfs indicated that copies will be provided to the Council.

Councilmember Palmas announced that he will not be attending the December 3, 2001 Council meeting.

Mayor Harrison asked for the Council's input on submitting a list of committees and boards the Council currently serves on.

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Mayor Harrison announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes to discuss contract performance.

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Council recessed into Executive Session at 9:25 p.m. and reconvened at 9:45 p.m. At 9:45 p.m., the Executive Session was extended an additional 10 minutes. Council reconvened at 9:55 p.m.

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### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

**BILL HARRISON, MAYOR** 

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

**CITY CLERK**