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LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, January 22, 2002

City of Lakewood

City Council Chambers

6000 Main Street SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 6 - Mayor Bill Harrison; Deputy Mayor Claudia Thomas; Councilmembers Pad Finnigan; Larry Humphrey; Helen McGovern and Doug Richardson.

Councilmember Excused: 1 - Councilmember JosÃ© Palmas.

Staff Present: City Manager D. Scott Rohlfs; Assistant City Manager Jeff Butzlaff; Acting City Attorney Mike McKenzie; Community Development Director David Bugher; Public Works Director Bill Larkin; Human Resources & Services Director Debi Young; General Services Director/City Clerk Alice Bush; Community Relations Manager Candice Bock and Parks Manager Mary Dodsworth.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. McGovern by request of Mayor Harrison.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs reported that the \$2 million budget for McNeil Island Less Restrictive Alternative (LRA) is in the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) budget and is proposed to be cut. The City will be billing the State for \$45,000 of expenses incurred to date, and billing for mitigation impacts.

City Manager Rohlfs explained that Representative Mike Carrell is proposing legislation to bring Initiative 695 backfill levels to 50 percent. The impact to Lakewood would significantly reduce Lakewood's backfill revenues and the 50 percent level would not help Lakewood.

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PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation recognizing the 2002 Winter Olympic Games Torchbearers.

Councilmember McGovern presented proclamations recognizing the 2002 Winter Olympic Games Torchbearers to Ms. Judith Barber, Ms. Fenya Crown, Mr. Michael Kabisch, Mr. Del Linart and Mr. Kent Olson.

Mayor Harrison deviated from the agenda to consider Resolution No. 2002-01 at this time.

RESOLUTIONS

[Resolution No. 2002-01](#) expressing support for the Proposition 1, Pierce Transit ballot measure coming before the voters on February 5, 2002.

COUNCILMEMBER HUMPHREY MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2002-01. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Parley Applegate, 14507 Woodbrook Drive, spoke about beautifying a ½ acre parcel in Tillicum by the Keep Lakewood Beautiful group. He indicated that through the Thornewood Castle bed and breakfast donation, \$10,000 of the \$15,000 required for the beautification has been raised.

Glen Spieth, 5928 Steilacoom Boulevard, spoke about the Byrd School site and the Flett House preservation.

Earl Fromdahl, 15404 Rose Road SW, spoke about his concerns with regard to the City denying his claim for damage and his displeasure with City services.

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

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of January 7, 2002.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of January 14, 2002.

C. Approval of claim voucher numbers 16681 to 16766, in the amount of \$849,663.32 for the period ending January 10, 2002.

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

1. Redevelopment Advisory Board meeting minutes of December 18, 2001.

2. Community Development Block Grant Citizens' Advisory Board meeting minutes of December 19, 2001.

E. [Ordinance No. 272](#)

Granting the Lakewood Water District a temporary extension of a nonexclusive franchise to construct, maintain, operate, replace and repair water systems in public rights-of-way through June 30, 2002.

F. [Motion No. 2002-02](#)

Denying claims for damages.

G. [Motion No. 2002-03](#)

Setting Monday, February 4, 2002, at approximately 7:00 p.m., as the date for a hearing before the City Council on the appeal of James and Kathleen Manza and Randall and Deborah Bennett relative to a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit and Shoreline Variance to construct a dock system and retaining wall at 12761 Gravelly Lake Drive SW (Applicant: James and Kathleen Manza - LU010048/LU010082)

Councilmember Finnigan requested that Item F, Motion 2002-02, be moved from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda.

DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS MOVED TO ADOPT ITEMS A-E AND G OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER HUMPHREY. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REGULAR AGENDA

ORDINANCES

[Ordinance No. 273](#) amending Section 3.40.030 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to creating a second Community Development Change Account in an amount not to exceed \$400.

COUNCILMEMBER RICHARDSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 273. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Motion 2002-02 denying claims for damages.

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that because some of the claims recommended for denial may have potential litigation, this matter should be discussed in Executive Session.

Mayor Harrison announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 30 minutes to discuss potential litigation.

Council recessed into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. and reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

DEPUTY MAYOR THOMAS MOVED TO deny CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES as noted in motion 2002-02. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCGOVERN. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Richardson indicated that if the City will be seeking a permit from the Washington State Department of Ecology for lake treatment, it must be submitted in February. Mayor Harrison requested that this item be placed on next week's City Council Study Session Agenda.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs reported that he and Councilmember McGovern will be traveling to Olympia this week.

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that if there are any upcoming legislative items, it will be distributed to the Council through their mail.

City Manager Rohlfs announced that interviews for the City Attorney position were held and that a selection will be forthcoming.

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CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Finnigan commented on a Victory over Violence civic group meeting he attended at Pierce College on January 19, 2002.

Councilmember McGovern commented on the Okinawa City delegation visit to Lakewood.

Councilmember McGovern commented on the McNeil Island meeting she attended relative to recidivism.

Deputy Mayor Thomas commented on the Sounder Transit meetings she attended last week.

Deputy Mayor Thomas reported on a meeting she attended with Representative Adam Smith from the 29th District. Representative Smith offered to provide assistance with providing sewers in the Tillicum/American Lake Gardens area and assist with providing jobs in support of economic development.

Mayor Harrison commented on the Okinawa City official sister-city signing ceremony and welcoming dinner. Mayor Harrison thanked General Services Director/City Clerk Bush for her efforts on the sister cities program.

Mayor Harrison asked if the City received a response from the Lake Steilacoom group.

Mayor Harrison asked what the next steps are with regard to the Puget Sound Energy report. City Manager Rohlf indicated that the next step is to take the citizens' recommendation and develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Council's consideration.

Mayor Harrison asked whom on City staff are responding to and following up on requests identified in the minutes from neighborhood associations.

Mayor Harrison asked for clarification on the correspondence from Thornewood Castle.

Mayor Harrison requested that he be provided with a copy of a citizen letter concerning Tyee Park School.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

BILL HARRISON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK