

2004 5 3

LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, May 3, 2004

City of Lakewood

City Council Chambers

6000 Main Street SW

Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 - Mayor Doug Richardson; Deputy Mayor Helen McGovern; Councilmembers John Arbeeny, Pad Finnigan, Bill Harrison, Walter Neary and Claudia Thomas.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Richardson.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

None.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Youth Council Report.

Youth Council Battersby spoke about their participation at the International Festival; the Youth Council activities at each high school; WASL testing; graduation activities; a Habitat for Humanities project in Tacoma; Key Club activities; Lakes High Daffodil Queen activities; a Native American cultural celebration; and their preparation for next year's Youth Council.

Expressing appreciation to citizens who assisted in the police department recruitment process.

Mayor Richardson, Deputy Mayor McGovern, City Manager Rohlfs and Police Chief Saunders presented certificates of appreciation to citizens who assisted in the police department recruitment process.

Lakewood City Council Minutes -2- May 3, 2004

Proclamation declaring May 10-16, 2004 as Police Week.

Mayor Richardson presented a proclamation declaring May 10-16, 2004 as Police Week to Officer Mark Eakes and Detective Ryan Larson.

Proclamation declaring May 16-22, 2004 as National Public Works Week.

Councilmember Harrison presented a proclamation declaring May 16-22, 2004 as National Public Works Week to

Desire Brown, Transportation Division Manager.

Clover Park School District Board Report.

Clover Park School District (CPSD) Board member Coleman-Lacadie expressed a huge thank you for the passage of the CPSD levy. She commented on the design and construction of the Daffodil Float and the parade. She announced that Debbie Russell, Southgate Elementary ECEAP, was selected by the Washington Education Association as Education Supporter and that Jeff Thompson received a \$10,000 Disneyland Teacher Award. She also commented on the JROTC ball. She indicated that the District-wide technology plan was approved and that CPSD will be in a better place when competing for federal and state funding. She also reported that public meetings are being held on the Heartwood Elementary closure and combining its students with Carter Lake Elementary; and that a public hearing on Initiative 728 proposed use of funds was held. She thanked the Youth Council for their help in supporting the Lakewood Sister Cities Association's International Festival. She reported on the proposed budget cuts of 30-40 teachers because of the student population reduction.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Richard Rabisa, #2 Thornewood Lane SW, spoke about the good work of Officer Travis Hoffman. He spoke in support of enforcing criminal checks. He expressed concern that criminals who are being arrested and, nine days later, are released and back in Tillikum.

Marc Pease, Rainier Communications Commission, spoke about the City of Tacoma's CLICK! NETWORK agreement and questioned whether the Council reviewed the automatic renewal section, cable fees, I-NET, digital compression, connectivity to the police station, intranet access, video on demand, senior discounts, event flyers, billing inserts, other available channels, and emergency overrides for the City of Lakewood.

Lakewood City Council Minutes -3- May 3, 2004

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

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of April 19, 2004.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of April 26, 2004.
- C. Approval of payroll check numbers 106657 to 106692, in the amount of \$264,015.63, for the period April 1-15, 2004.
- D. Approval of claim voucher numbers 25232 to 25290, in the amount of \$410,647.13, for the period ending April 21, 2004.
- E. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:
 - 1. Community Development Block Grant Citizen's Advisory Board meeting minutes of March 3, 2004.
 - 2. Lakewood Sister Cities Association Board meeting minutes of March 11, 2004.
 - 3. Redevelopment Advisory Board meeting minutes of March 23, 2004
 - 4. Redevelopment Advisory Board special meeting minutes of March 31, 2004.
 - 5. Redevelopment Advisory Board Tour of Lakewood minutes of April 24, 2004.
 - 6. Citizens' Transportation Review Committee meeting minutes of April 13, 2004.
- F. [Ordinance No. 343](#)

Granting a franchise to the City of Tacoma Department of Public Utilities Light Division for providing CLICK! NETWORK cable TV services within Lakewood's franchise area for up to 20 years.

G. Resolution No. 2004-05

Acknowledging Lakeview, Lake City, Northeast, Pacific and Tillicum/Woodbrook Neighborhood Associations as Community Partnership Councils for 2004.

H. Resolution No. 2004-06

Adopting the Fiscal Year 2004 Consolidated Annual Action Plan and proposed use of Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnership Act funds.

Lakewood City Council Minutes -4- May 3, 2004

I. Motion No. 2004-14

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Cropsey LLC, in the amount of \$436,000, to purchase properties in the Flett Creek wetland for storm water management and fish and wildlife habitat protection.

J. Motion No. 2004-15

Authorizing the execution of a lease and agreement with Pierce County, in the amount of \$11,000 per month from January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2005 and \$11,400 per month from January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006, for a police facility at the property located at 5504 112th Street SW.

K. Motion No. 2004-16

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with APS Survey and Mapping, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$95,000, for surveying, mapping, and right-of-way services required for improvements on Bridgeport Way SW from Steilacoom Boulevard to the north city limits.

Councilmember Arbeeney requested that Item No. G, Resolution No. 2004-05, be removed from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda.

Councilmember Finnigan requested that Item No. F, Ordinance No. 343, be removed from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda.

Mayor Richardson corrected the April 26, 2004 Council Study Session minutes to reflect that the name "Rainier Cable Commission" should read "Rainier Communications Commission."

Councilmember Harrison MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NOS. A-E AND H-K AS amended. SECONDED BY Deputy Mayor McGovern. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED 5-2.

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

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 343 granting a franchise to the City of Tacoma Department of Public Utilities Light Division for providing CLICK! NETWORK cable TV services within Lakewood's franchise area for up to 20 years.

Councilmember THOMAS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 343. SECONDED BY Deputy Mayor McGovern. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED 5-2.

Lakewood City Council Minutes -5- May 3, 2004

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2004-05 acknowledging Lakeview, Lake City, Northeast, Pacific and Tillicum/Woodbrook Neighborhood Associations as Community Partnership Councils for 2004.

Deputy Mayor McGovern MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2004-05. SECONDED BY Councilmember HARRISON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED 5-2.

Council recessed at 8:10 p.m. and reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion No. 2004-17 appointing Louis Imhof and Kurt Graff to serve on the Redevelopment Advisory Board for three-year terms.

Deputy Mayor McGovern MOVED TO CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF LOUIS IMHOF AND KURT GRAFF TO SERVE ON THE REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD FOR THREE-YEAR TERMS. SECONDED BY Councilmember NEARY. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilmember Harrison questioned the existence of the Lakewood gang disciples and their gang area from Washington Park up to O'Gallagher's. He expressed concern about gang want-to-be groups that typically form in the summer and that could rise as the police department is in its transition phase. He suggested that Pierce County be put on notice calling attention to these gangs.

Councilmember Harrison asked for feedback on the City's response to a petition that was filed on improvements to 96th Street.

Councilmember Finnigan requested that the bushes at Gravelly Lake Drive SW and Nyanza Road coming from Nyanza Road be trimmed a foot to two feet to provide better traffic visibility.

Lakewood City Council Minutes -6- May 3, 2004

Councilmember Finnigan asked for City staff's response to an earlier request on the number of businesses who are impacted by the no smoking ban. It was the consensus of the Council to discuss the impacts of the smoking ban on businesses at next week's May 10, 2004 Council Study Session. It was suggested to solicit input from the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce and the Association of Washington Cities.

Councilmember Arbeeney requested that the Council be briefed on the "Raising the Bar" program before it is presented to other groups. He asked what have been the results of the program since June 2003. He requested that a hard copy of the briefing presentation be provided to the Council.

Councilmember Arbeeney asked when the Joint Planning Advisory Board and City Council meeting will be held. City Manager Rohlfs indicated that it is tentatively scheduled for May 24, 2004; however, it will depend on the progress of the work of the Planning Advisory Board.

Councilmember Arbeeney asked what the Council can do now on changes to the firework ordinance to be effective this year. City Manager Rohlfs explained that any changes to the fireworks ordinance must be done a year in advance of when it becomes effective.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilmember Arbeeney announced that he and Councilmember Neary and City staff will be meeting on May 5, 2004 to discuss marketing sewers in Tillicum. He requested a cost benefit analysis on the cost and value for constructing sewers be prepared for the meeting

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Rohlfs indicated that the 21 officers hired have yet to receive an official start date. He then reported on

the hiring status of other officers.

City Manager Rohlf reported that an ordinance on the employee compensation plan amendments will be coming before the Council next week.

City Manager Rohlf commented on a Pierce County Resolution relative to the Chambers Creek golf course and explained that the Resolution obligates the cities of University Place and Lakewood for providing transportation improvements within each city.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Neary indicated that his vote against CLICK! NETWORK was not against City of Tacoma Public Utilities but because of insufficient comparative information on cable services.

Lakewood City Council Minutes -7- May 3, 2004

Councilmember Harrison commented on the Redevelopment Advisory Board meeting he attended and the discussion on sewer permitting.

Councilmember Harrison reported on the April 29, 2004 Lakewood Contributors event he attended.

Councilmember Harrison commented on the International Festival held on May 1, 2004. He indicated that attendance was up from last year. He thanked General Services Director/City Clerk Bush and Dr. Pat Cavendish, Lakewood Sister Cities Association President, for organizing the event.

Councilmember Finnigan reminded City staff to provide the Council with the first quarter financial report.

Councilmember Thomas commented on the Citizen's Transportation Review Committee minutes and the comment that roads are failing in the Dower area which may be a result of the wear by Pierce Transit buses.

Councilmember Thomas reported on the Reclaiming Our Youth meeting she attended. She reported that funding for the program ends in June 2004.

Councilmember Thomas reported that Steve Magallan from America's Promise will be here on May 17, 2004.

Deputy Mayor McGovern asked why "Council Comments" is listed as the last item on the Council's agenda.

Deputy Mayor McGovern congratulated Councilmember Thomas for receiving the Jack Asby award.

Deputy Mayor McGovern then reported on the City Talk session on April 28, 2004.

Deputy Mayor McGovern then reported on the Joint Determining Authority meeting she attended.

Deputy Mayor McGovern reported on the Lakewood Gardens fundraising event at the end of May. She then reported on organizing a Relay for Life team.

Mayor Richardson announced that the Police Memorial will be held at Pacific Lutheran University on Friday, May 7, 2004, at 1:30 p.m.

Mayor Richardson announced that the May 14, 2004 Coffee with the Mayor topic of discussion is on sewers.

Lakewood City Council Minutes -8- May 3, 2004

Mayor Richardson announced that Congressman Adam Smith will be holding a town meeting on May 15, 2004.

Mayor Richardson announced that on May 18, 2004, a Pierce County Council meeting will be held in the Council Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

DOUGLAS G. RICHARDSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, CMC

CITY CLERK