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LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, December 1, 2008
City of Lakewood
City Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 ? Mayor Douglas Richardson; Deputy Mayor Don Anderson; Councilmembers Ron Cronk, Pad Finnigan, Helen McGovern, Walter Neary and Claudia Thomas.

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Richardson.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Neiditz reported that a thank you letter was received from Pierce College recognizing Officer Chris Lawler's police efforts for handling bomb threats at the College.

City Manager Neiditz reported that a business license revocation is being issued to the Vagabond Motel.

City Manager Neiditz provided an update on the street improvements to be constructed on Bridgeport Way and announced that an open house will be held on December 10, 2008 for affected property owners to learn about what the impacts will be.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Youth Council Report.

Youth Council Member Cameron Boyd presented the Youth Council report and their activities on the "Pack the Bus" event, Ipod/MP3 class and school reports at Steilacoom High School, Lakes High School, Clover Park High School, Harrison Preparatory School, Bellarmine Preparatory School and AI School.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

David Betz, Lakewood Community Foundation, spoke about students coming to school ready to learn and spoke about the Early Learning program.

Kelly Phanco, 5 Fundamentals, spoke about the Early Learning program. She spoke about public and private investments in the effort.

Glen Spieth, Lakewood Historical Society, spoke about developing a way to identify properties that are under construction for the Historical Society to be able to recover any historic artifacts before the soils are churned. He spoke about the reconstruction of the ball fields at Ft. Steilacoom Park in which the Society was not able to recover any potential artifacts. He then spoke about artifacts found at the Byrd School site. He asked about looking for artifacts at the Ward Hill project at Ft. Steilacoom Park.

Dennis Haugen, Lakewood resident, spoke about the financial bailouts of large companies. He then spoke about the City overspending.

Kate Smitz, Centro Latino, thanked the Council for supporting the Centro Latino youth services programs at Clover Park High and Hudtloff Middle Schools and the services provided at the HOPE Center.

David Artis, Chair, Centro Latino Board, spoke about the recent The News Tribune article and indicated that there has not been any misappropriation of funds at Centro Latino and indicated that he is available for any questions of the Council.

Adriana Tellez, Centro Latino, spoke about services that are provided at Centro Latino and their work in assisting Latino clients and their coordinated efforts with the Police Department, Health Department and City of Lakewood Code Enforcement with mobile home assistance.

Richard Corak, Goodwill STEPS Program, thanked the Council for their support of the STEPS Program and that Goodwill is supportive to continuing youth services for Lakewood residents.

Wendy Freeman, Centro Latino, spoke about the Latino Youth Support program that addresses the barriers encountered at school through mentoring.

Andie Gernon, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of human services funding and the human services collaboration and the innovations that was started in Lakewood.

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Kurt Sample, Computer Clubhouse, spoke in support of human services funding and the Clubhouse program. He spoke about providing a safe place and keeping kids off the street that make a difference in their lives.

Clover Park School District Board Report.

Clover Park School District (CPSD) Board Member Walt Kelly's written report was read into the record.

Briefing on Ft. Steilacoom Park barn proposal.

Recreation Coordinator Sara Stratton provided an update on the Ft. Steilacoom Park barns proposal feasibility study and process.

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

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of November 17, 2008.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Special Meeting of November 24, 2008.

C. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Budget Workshop of November 24, 2008.

D. Approval of payroll check numbers 185, 110956 to 110976, and direct deposit check numbers 31290 to 31536, in the amount of \$773,692.67, for the period November 1-15, 2008.

E. Approval of claim voucher numbers 49028 to 49133, in the amount of \$1,345,981.92, for the period ending November 20, 2008.

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

1. Human Services Funding Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 15 and 22, 2008.

2. Lakewood Sister Cities Association Board meeting minutes of October 16, 2008.

COUNCILMEMBER FINNIGAN MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY deputy mayor anderson. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council relative to the abatement of dangerous buildings and public nuisances located at 1011647th Avenue SW (Yong Ae Olson).

Speaking before the Council was:

Wayne Perrault, representing Yong Ae Olson, spoke about Ms. Olson's loss of her home and job, and how Ms. Olson would like to rebuild. He asked for Council's consideration of her situation.

There being no further testimony, the hearing was declared closed.

This is the date set for a public hearing by the City Council relative to the abatement of dangerous buildings and public nuisances located at 9628 Oak Lane SW (Peter & Paul Boros).

Speaking before the Council was:

Dennis Haugen, Lakewood resident, spoke about the demolition of the building and the quality of the work being done.

There being no further testimony, the hearing was declared closed.

ORDINANCES

[Ordinance No. 480](#) adopting the 2009 City of Lakewood budget.

COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 480. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDERSON.

COUNCILMEMBER FINNIGAN MOVED TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 480 BY MOVING \$250,000 FROM THE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FUND 301 TO FUND 102 STREETS CAPITAL. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CRONK.

ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN RESULTING AS FOLLOWS:

AYES: 2 ? CRONK AND FINNIGAN

NAYS: 5 ? MCGOVERN, NEARY, THOMAS, ANDERSON AND MAYOR RICHARDSON.

THE MOTION FAILED.

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VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 480 with councilmember neary voting IN opposition.

Ordinance No. 481 amending the 2008 budget for incurred expenditures in the Local Improvement District (LID) Capital Improvement Fund (No. 351) relative to securing permanent funding for the LID.

councilmember thomas MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 481. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDERSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion No. 2008-57 approving the 2009 lodging tax funding allocations and authorizing the City Manager to enter into agreements to provide tourism-related services.

COUNCILMEMBER FINNIGAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE 2009 LODGING TAX FUNDING ALLOCATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO PROVIDE TOURISM-RELATED SERVICES. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCGOVERN. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion No. 2008-58 authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with Pierce County, in the amount of \$1,387,600, for road maintenance services from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009.

councilmember cronk MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH PIERCE COUNTY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,387,600, FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE SERVICES FROM JANUARY 1, 2009 TO DECEMBER 31, 2009. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER NEARY. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Motion No. 2008-59 authorizing the City Manager to execute Addendum No. 1 to an agreement with Business Interiors Northwest, in an amount not to exceed \$570,600, for office furnishings at the new Police Station.

COUNCILMEMBER THOMAS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO AN AGREEMENT WITH BUSINESS INTERIORS NORTHWEST, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$570,600, FOR OFFICE FURNISHINGS AT THE NEW POLICE STATION. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MCGOVERN. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion No. 2008-60 authorizing the City Manager to execute an interlocal agreement with Pierce Transit, in the amount of \$100,000, for security monitoring at the Lakewood Sound Transit Station.

COUNCILMEMBER thomas MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH PIERCE TRANSIT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000, FOR SECURITY MONITORING AT THE LAKEWOOD SOUND TRANSIT STATION. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER NEARY. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BRIEFING BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Neiditz reminded the Council of the Employee Recognition event on December 11, 2008.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Neary commented on the Lakewood Arts Commission meeting he attended.

Councilmember McGovern indicated that she will not be able to attend the Employee Recognition event. She then commented on the Greater Lakes Mental Healthcare stocking stuffer event.

Deputy Mayor Anderson spoke about the Black Friday shopping line he stood in line for at Walmart.

Mayor Richardson announced that the Christmas Tree Lighting event will be held on December 5, 2008, at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Richardson reported that DuPont is interested in participating in a discussion of the Office of Educational Assessment grant.

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Closed Session

Mayor Richardson announced that Council will recess into a closed session to discuss collective bargaining issues pursuant to RCW 42.30.140.

Council recessed into a closed session at 10:05 p.m. and reconvened at 10:15p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

DOUGLAS G. RICHARDSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ALICE M. BUSH, MMC

CITY CLERK