

# 2016/09/06 Council Minutes

## LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016  
City of Lakewood  
City Council Chambers  
6000 Main Street SW  
Lakewood, WA 98499

### CALL TO ORDER

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

### ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 6 – Mayor Don Anderson; Deputy Mayor Jason Whalen; Councilmembers Mary Moss, Mike Brandstetter, John Simpson, and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmember Excused: 1 – Councilmember Marie Barth.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led Mayor Anderson.

### PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### Youth Council Report.

The Youth Council reported on their first 2016-2017 Youth Council meeting to discuss their duties, responsibilities and upcoming events. School reports were provided at each of the high schools.

#### **Proclamation declaring September 11, 2016 as patriot day and day of remembrance in the City of Lakewood. – Police Chief Mike Zaro**

Mayor Anderson presented a proclamation declaring September 11, 2016 as patriot day and day of remembrance in the City of Lakewood to Police Chief Mike Zaro and West-Pierce Fire & Rescue Chief Jim Sharp.

#### **Clover Park School District Board Report.**

Clover Park School District (CPSD) Board Director Carole Jacobs expressed her thanks for the passage of the Clover Park School District levy and funding for technology. She then spoke about the increased graduation rates. She announced that the School District would be holding a monthly radio program on KLAY radio. She then provided an update on the school construction progress at JBLM. She spoke about a federal grant that the District received for learning and behavioral needs.

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Mayor Anderson deviated from the agenda to consider Resolution No. 2016-16 at this time.

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### RESOLUTION

**[Resolution No. 2016-16](#) expressing support for the Boulevard of Remembrance and the Remembrance Corridor.**

COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2016-16. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Speaking before the Council were:

*James Leet*, Tacoma resident, spoke about Lakewood's CHOICE program and the reduction seen in youth's use of tobacco and alcohol.

*Robert Hill*, Tacoma resident, spoke about Ordinance No. 645 relative to complete streets.

*Glen Spieth*, Lakewood resident, clarified that under the comments he made as noted in the Council meeting minutes, there are no portable restroom units at the Kiwanis Skate park. He then spoke about another hit and run accident at Steilacoom Boulevard and Bridgeport Way.

## **C O N S E N T   A G E N D A**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of August 15, 2016.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of August 22, 2016.
- C. Approval of payroll checks, in the amount of \$2,220,059.99, for the period July 16, 2016 through August 15, 2016.
- D. Approval of claims vouchers, in the amount of \$3,848,656.01 for the period July 16, 2016 through August 15, 2016.
- E. Motion No. 2016-38

Setting Monday, October 17, 2016, at approximately 7:00 p.m., as the date for a public hearing by the City Council on the 2016 Comprehensive Plan amendments.

- F. Motion No. 2016-39

Reappointing Jason Gerwen and Anessa McClendon to serve on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board through September 19, 2019.

- G. Motion No. 2016-40

Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Clover Park School District for the purchase of fuel from September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017.

- H. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

- 1. Planning Commission meeting minutes of June 15, 2016.

COUNCILMEMBER MOSS MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **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 on the November 8, 2016 General Election of Sound Transit's ballot proposition to expand mass transit in King, Pierce and Snohomish counties and expand light-rail, commuter-rail, and bus rapid transit service to connect population, employment and growth centers and authorize Sound Transit to levy or impose an additional 0.5% sales and use tax; a property tax of \$.025 or less per \$1,000 of assessed valuation; an additional 0.8% motor-vehicle excise tax; and use existing taxes to fund the local share of the \$53.8 billion estimated cost including inflation, with independent audits, as described in the Mass Transit Guide and Sound Transit Board Resolution No. R2016-17.

Speaking before the Council were:

*Ken Porter*, Lakewood resident, expressed concern about the impacts of Sound Transit's proposal lowering property values because of noise pollution due to horns on the streets that start at 4:30 p.m. and that businesses will start to move away. He asked if something could be done to mitigate the noise pollution.

*Robert Hill, Tacoma resident,* commented that non-commuters will continue to be disadvantaged, half of this funding should get gas tax; and that there are no other proposals or choices.

*Hayden Mackley, Lakewood resident,* spoke about the Sound Transit commuter station and by having a good transit center with capacity and greater service makes Lakewood an attractive place to live.

*Don Golden, Tacoma resident,* spoke about the time and cost of transportation projects and expressed concern about the cost of Sound Transit 3.

*Dennis Haugen, Lakewood resident,* spoke about transportation jobs and cost.

*Glen Spieth, Lakewood resident,* spoke about the need for terminals where one could walk to work because some kind of transportation is need from a terminal to work. He spoke against the funding option for Sound Transit 3.

*Jerry Gibbs, Gig Harbor resident,* indicated that Sound Transit 3 is not a smart plan and the tax proposal will hurt Lakewood. He noted that property tax for transit will hurt schools, sales tax will take the city above 10% and motor vehicle tax is too much.

*Bob Lennigan, Lakewood resident,* expressed concern about the funding mechanism for Sound Transit 3 and the unsafe at-grade crossings.

*Jerry Horne, Lakewood resident,* spoke about the need for transit but that Sound Transit will raise her property tax an additional \$1,000 a year.

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

## **ORDINANCE**

**[Ordinance No. 645](#) creating Chapter 12A.18 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to a complete streets policy.**

COUNCILMEMBER MOSS MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 645. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN.

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COUNCILMEMBER BRANDSTETTER MOVED TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 645, SECTION 12A.18.030 E. TO READ "IN INSTANCES WHERE A DOCUMENTED EXCEPTION IS GRANTED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER CITY MANAGER OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE." SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BOCCHI. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED.

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VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN ON AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 645 AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Caulfield announced that Olympian Travis Stevens will be at the YMCA on September 7, 2016 at 6:45 p.m. to work with YMCA youth and the Council is invited to attend.

He announced that the City's Six Year financial forecast and the 2017-2018 Preliminary Biennial Budget will be brought before the Council at its October 3, 2016 Council meeting.

He also announced that on September 13, 2016, at 3:00 p.m., the Pierce County Council will be considering a ten year Pierce County Conservation rate proposal increase from \$5 to \$10.

He reported that a \$310,000 grant from the Office of Economic Adjustment will be used to support JLUS implementation. Montro & Johnson is under contract for \$50,000 to perform property valuations and relocation cost estimates on properties in the North Clear Zone. SSMCP is building upon a growth coordination plan to build a business plan. The business plan is scheduled to be presented to the SSMCP elected officials in December.

An SSMCP "Hill Day" is scheduled for February 7, 2017 to invite legislators to meet with City officials versus moving from office to office.

He reported that City staff met with the Port of Tacoma to discuss industrial land use and economic development in Lakewood. A joint meeting with Council and the Port of Tacoma Commissioners is planned to be scheduled in November or prior to the end of the year.

He noted that the JBLM air show went well with no major events. There were some snafus with regard to traffic but issues were worked out. He commended Public Works, Police and JBLM for their work in planning for the event ahead of time.

He announced that the bid for Waughop Lake trail improvements has been advertised.

He noted that the abatement of the Golden Lion Hotel will be demolished by the end of the year.

He announced that the next Select Committee on Quality Improvement in State Hospitals will be held on September 12 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

He then announced the following calendar of events:

- \* September 8, 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Chambers Bay Resort Proposals Open House, Environmental Services Building
- \* September 12, noon, Joint 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony City and West Pierce Fire & Rescue, City Hall
- \* September 15, 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM, Former Mayors & City Councilmembers Briefing, City Council Chambers

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Moss thanked the audience for comments provided on Sound Transit 3. She then commented on the air show. She spoke about the civic leadership tour she attended.

Councilmember Bocchi indicated that he will be attending the Planning Commission meeting on September 7, 2016.

Councilmember Brandstetter indicated that he will not be attending the September 12, 2016 Council Study Session.

Deputy Mayor Whalen commented on the air show he attended.

Councilmember Simpson expressed his appreciation for the citizens comments received tonight on Sound Transit 3. Councilmember Simpson complemented Communication Manager Brent Champaco for his outstanding work.

Mayor Anderson commented on the Lakewood Ford's expansion ceremony he attended. He then spoke about a meeting he attended with the Mayors of Tacoma and Puyallup concerning homelessness. He indicated that the Mayor of Tacoma is interested in spearheading a legislative agenda relative to this issue. He then congratulated City Manager Caulfield for receiving the LTG William Harrison Service Award and being inducted into the JBLM Hall of Fame for his leadership in steering SSMCP activities, the community connector program and various transportation projects.

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Mayor Anderson announced that Council will move into a closed session to discuss employee relations pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4).

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

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DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ALICE M. BUSH, MMC  
CITY CLERK