LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, February 20, 2018
City of Lakewood
City Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 – Mayor Don Anderson, Deputy Mayor Jason Whalen; Councilmembers Mary Moss, Mike Brandstetter, John Simpson, Marie Barth and Paul Bocchi.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Anderson.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Business Showcase – Northwest Abatement Services, Inc.

Mayor Anderson presented a business showcase plaque to Mr. Mark Stephens, President of Northwest Abatement Services, Inc.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Kathy Lanning, American Cancer Society, spoke in support of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life walk and thanked the City for supporting the event. She invited the Council and audience to the June 15 and 16, 2018 walk at Franklin Pierce High School and the May 18 and 19, 2018 walk at Mt. Tahoma High School.

Dennis Haugen, Lakewood resident, spoke about the difference between legal and illegal immigration.

Jordan Michelson, Lakewood resident, asked for clarification about the procedure for providing oral and written public comments at Planning Commission meetings. He then spoke about Metro SWAT.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of February 5, 2018.

B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of February 12, 2018.

C. Motion No. 2018-09

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Washington State Department of Revenue for business licensing services.

D. Motion No. 2018-10

Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with FCS Group, in the amount of $18,115 for a total of $60,475, relative to utility rate studies.

E. Motion No. 2018-11

Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Anchor QEA, LLC, in the amount of $148,207, to provide design services for the Harry Todd Park Waterfront Phase I project.

F. Motion No. 2018-12

Authorizing the execution of an addendum to the interlocal agreement with West Pierce Fire & Rescue, for emergency management coordinator services from September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018.

G. Resolution No. 2018-01

Authorizing the investment of monies in the Local Government Investment Pool.

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

1. Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board meeting minutes of January 4, 2018.
2. Lakewood Arts Commission meeting minutes of January 8, 2018.
3. Planning Commission meeting minutes of January 17, 2018.
4. Public Safety Advisory Committee meeting minutes of January 3, 2018.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion No. 2018-13 awarding a bid to Construct, Inc., in the amount of $816,377.20, to construct the Fort Steilacoom Park Pavilion.

DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN MOVED TO AWARD A BID TO CONSTRUCT, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF $816,377.20, TO CONSTRUCT THE FORT STEILACOOM PARK PAVILION. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MOSS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Caulfield called on City Attorney Wachter to provide an update on the class action pharmaceutical case.

Class Action Pharmaceutical update.

City Attorney Wachter provided an overview of the pharmaceutical class action lawsuit of Pierce County versus Purdue Pharma. She explained that should the City join the class action lawsuit the City would need to enter into an agreement with Keller Rohrbach, the legal firm representing Pierce County and others in this lawsuit. Documentation on the correlation of opioids and its impact on homelessness issues and behavioral health issues will need to be provided.

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DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO HAVE THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD JOIN IN THE LITIGATION AGAINST PURDUE PHARMA. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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City Manager Caulfield noted that at the Council dais an updated Economic Development brochure and a letter from WSDOT regarding Amtrak derailment was provided.

He reported that on Friday, February 16, 2018, he met with Senator Patty Murray at a transportation forum, to discuss the City's transportation priorities in reaction to

the President's transportation budget. He explained from Lakewood's perspective, the focus is on sidewalks and bike lanes and having new tools, continuation of the TIGER program, having positive train control be installed for any future trains as a result of the AMTRAK derailment, the City's opposition to high speed trains, and to conduct proper environmental impact statements.

He then reported that at the State Legislature, Representative Kilduff has been assured by the House leadership that the Military Benefit Zone bill will pass out of the House to implement the budget.

The Senate released its Capital Budget to include $500,000 for the Lakewood Colonial Plaza project.

The Senate Capital Budget proposal funds the Aquatic Land Enhancement Account at a higher level than previously, which allows $500,000 to be allocated toward the Harry Todd Waterfront Park Improvement Phase 1 improvement project.

The House Transportation Budget proposal advances $2.0 million in support of the Lake City Business District Sidewalk Project (Veterans Drive: Alameda to American Lake Park) to the 2019-2021 biennium from 2025-2027. The advancement of funds was not included in the Senate Transportation Budget proposal. The City will now be focusing on the Senate and working to ensure the funds are included in the final approved budget.

He then provided an update on:

Bill 2381, would allow certain adult family homes to increase their maximum number of beds from 6 to 8.

House Bill 2289, sponsored by Representative Kilduff and Representative Muri, revises the involuntary treatment act regarding the release and commitment of persons involuntary committed after the dismissal of a felony; and

HB 2336, sponsored by Representative Sawyer, preempts local ordinances pertaining to the regulation of production, processing, and retail sale of marijuana. This bill has died.

He announced that the Community Cleanup with Waste Connections is scheduled for May 5 and 6, 2018.

He then reported on a meeting he held with County Councilmember Doug Richardson and discussed a new County unified sewer plan committee, issues concerning the Puget Sound Regional Council and Pierce County Regional Council, contracting with Pierce County for some services, annexation of Camp Murray and eventually JBLM, Chambers Creek Trail, Flood Control Zone District to change from a property tax to fee base, and conducting video arraignments for court.

He reported that last year the City of Gig Harbor had requested information to potentially contract with the City for court services. Gig Harbor at this time is planning on staying with their own Municipal Court.

He indicated that at the March 10, 2018 Council Study Session, the Council will have the opportunity to look at the 1 percent human services funding allocation and consider developing strategies or criteria as it relates to the 2019-2020 budget.

He reported that the Carp Lake neighborhood has identified a representative to work with the City to help them on how to address some of their concerns regarding the lake.

He then suggested Saturday, April 7, 2018, 8:30 a.m. to noon for a Council Retreat to discuss goal setting for the 2019-2020 biennial process.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Moss commented on a February 10, 2018 Lunar Event she attended at the Tacoma Dome. She then spoke about her trip to Washington DC and her meeting with Senators Murray and Cantwell. She indicated that she will be speaking before a DSHS event.

Councilmember Bocchi spoke about the Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) General Assembly meeting he attended.

Councilmember Brandstetter spoke about the Planning Commission meeting he attended and their discussion about marijuana businesses near Ponders park and that the State would not consider it a park. He indicated that the Planning Commission asked if the Council would want to designate Ponders Park as a park. There was no Council consensus to do so.

Councilmember Barth thanked staff for the Economic Development brochures.

Councilmember Simpson spoke about hosting the Coffee with the Mayor and Fire Chief Sharp's presentation. He then spoke about serving as Senator O'Ban's moderator at his Town Hall meeting.

Deputy Mayor Whalen commented on the PCRC General Assembly meeting he attended and the awards that the City received for Springbrook Park and the Rental Housing Safety program. He then spoke about an open house he attended for a new business that provides treatment without the use of drugs. He also thanked staff for the Economic Development brochure.

Mayor Anderson reported that the County's long studied plan about flood control with the Army Corp of Engineers is likely to be unsatisfactory and resulted in federal matching funds being unavailable over the next 10 years amounting to over a $10 million loss. Lakewood's share would be approximately $600,000 a year. He noted

that there was a vote at the Puget Sound Regional Council Transportation Committee against designating military bases as centers. The vote was close. Pierce Transit Commissioner along with northern interest voted no, and there will be more to follow. Mayor Anderson indicated that on Thursday, February 22, 2018, he will be testifying with respect to rail safety. He then spoke about an Association of Defense Communities meeting in San Diego he attended.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Don Anderson
DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Alice M. Bush
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CITY CLERK