



LAKESWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, April 2, 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 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

2018 Honorary Police Chief

Police Chief Zaro recognized Ms. Maddie Middleton as the 2018 Honorary Police Chief, administered an oath of office, and presented her with a plaque.

2018 State Legislative Session Report.

Ms. Briahna Murray and Ms. Shelly Helder of Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs, provided a summary of the 2018 State Legislative Session and the outcome of the City's Legislative agenda.

Discussion ensued on funding for homelessness with document recording fees and the likelihood that there will be funding or tools to help local communities deal with homelessness in the future.

Lakewood First Lions Club Youth Scholarship

Mr. Mike Brandstetter, President, of Lakewood First Lions Club presented the Lakewood First Lions Club Youth Scholarship award to Ms. Karina Mercado.

Youth Council Report.

The Youth Council reported on their upcoming participation in Parks Appreciation Day, and that applications are being sought for Youth Councilmembers for 2018-2019. Youth Council members reported that schools are on Spring Break. School reports were provided for Clover Park High School, Lakes High School and Harrison Preparatory School.

Clover Park School District Report.

Clover Park School District Board Director Anderson Pearson reported on several student school success stories. She spoke about options for school security improvements at various schools. She announced that State testing has begun. The District Board will be attending the National School Conference in Texas. Also, Kindergarten registration is underway.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Glen Spieth, Lakewood Historical Society, expressed concern about road and parking disruptions at the Lakewood Historical Society on Mt. Tacoma Drive. He asked that angle parking be reinstated on Mt. Tacoma Drive. He noted that the Museum is considering a move to the other side of the Colonial Center and that permits are in the works.

Russom Haiman, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of sidewalk improvements on Phillips Road and asked for sidewalks from Onyx Drive to Zircon.

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

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of March 19, 2018.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council Study Session of March 26, 2018.
- C. Approval of payroll checks, in the amount of \$2,359,968.94 for the period February 16, 2018 through March 15, 2018.
- D. Approval of claim vouchers, in the amount of \$1,790,218.56, for the period February 16, 2018 through March 15, 2018.
- E. Motion No. 2018-16
Appointing Julianne Powers and Tod Wolf to serve on the Lakewood Arts Commission.
- F. Motion No. 2018-17

Appointing Russell Bucklew, Eric Leon Chastain, Bob Jones and Margorie Thomas-Candau to serve on the Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board.

G. Motion No. 2018-18

Appointing Elisapeta Scanlan to serve on the Community Services Advisory Board.

H. Motion No. 2018-19

Awarding a bid to Doolittle Construction, in the amount of \$299,299, for the 2018 chip seal program.

I. Motion No. 2018-20

Awarding a bid to Northwest Cascade, in the amount of \$2,466,825, for the Gravelly Lake Drive Non-Motorized Trail project.

J. Motion No. 2018-21

Awarding a bid to Asphalt Patch Systems, in the amount of \$174,400, for the 2018 roadway patching program.

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

1. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of February 27, 2018
2. Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board meeting minutes of February 22, 2018.

COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MOSS. 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 proposed land use and development code amendments to Chapter 18A.20 of the Lakewood Municipal Code relative to adult family homes and enhanced service facilities.

Speaking before Council were:

Senator Steve O'Ban, Legislator, spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance. He spoke about the concerns when Mr. Butterfield, Western State Hospital patient, was going to be placed in an adult family home in the Oakbrook neighborhood.

Don MacSparran, Lakewood resident, spoke about essential service facilities being converted to adult family homes and supported them if they were properly regulated.

John Ficker, Adult Family Home Council, expressed concerns about eliminating functional disabilities.

Russom Haiman, Lakewood resident, spoke about his adult family home in Oakbrook that he started in 2008 and noted that 50 percent of his clients came from Lakewood and 50 percent came from Steilacoom.

Twyla Williams, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance.

Margaret Aburi, Lakewood resident, indicated that as a group home provider she will visit a prospective client and staff prior to placing a client(s) in her group home.

Guy McFadden, Lakewood resident, Oakbrook 4th edition, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance.

Lahab Njoroge, Lakewood resident, spoke about being a group home provider and that a process is used before admitting a client into the home.

John Kimari, Lakewood resident, group home provider, spoke about his experience and that he had served clients from Western State Hospital. He spoke about the process for admitting a client into his group home.

James Washington, Lakewood resident, group home provider, spoke about individuals with mental health issues and that not every provider can receive mental health clients.

Susan Sorensen, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of the proposed ordinance.

Jim Hall, Lakewood resident, spoke about adult family home density issues and asked if density will be addressed.

Phil Sorenson, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of the ordinance and that the Department of Social and Health Services should be given guidelines on placements and releases.

John Mecca, Lakewood resident, expressed concern about businesses moving into a residential area that is now increased with cars and traffic.

Michael Hansen, Lakewood resident, spoke in support of the ordinance, and the need for adult family homes to be regulated as a business for safety and health.

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

Council recessed at 8:52 p.m. and reconvened at 9:02 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Caulfield called on Police Chief Zaro to present the 2017 Year End Police Report.

2017 Year End Police Report

Police Chief Zaro provided an overview of the activities of the Police Department in 2017.

Discussion ensued on what can the Council do to help Police (economic development to change neighborhoods, and getting the message out); would additional funding for community service officers and neighborhood patrol officers assist with neighborhood associations; animal control of off-leash dogs; and having more Police presence at the Lakewood Chamber.

City Manager Caulfield reported that as of March 30, 2018, 140 on-line survey responses were received on the Downtown Subarea Plan. He announced that a Joint Council and Planning Commission is scheduled for April 9, 2018 for an update on the Downtown Subarea Plan.

He announced that the Rental Housing Safety Program inspection begins on April 16, 2018.

He noted that Public Works Engineering has made some timing changes to the traffic signals in the area between 88th and Custer/Ardmore along Steilacoom Board to help improve traffic flow due to roadway construction currently underway.

He then announced that Fort Steilacoom Park and the Parks and Recreation Department have been nominated and selected as a finalist for the Travel Tacoma+Pierce County Rising Tide Award. The winners will be named at their annual meeting on May 10, 2018 at 2:00 p.m., at the Pioneer Park Pavilion in Puyallup.

He reported that in an effort to curtail panhandling, "no panhandling signs" will be posted to help encourage drivers and others to not give cash and alike to folks standing in public areas, but rather to encourage them to contribute to charities who can better help folks in need.

He then reported that Senator Cantwell's aide walked the Amtrak at-grade track last week. He noted that Sound Transit will be continuing positive control testing.

He announced that the Planning Commission's recommendation to prohibit marijuana in Lakewood is scheduled for the Council's April 23, 2018 Study Session, followed by a public hearing as part of May 7, 2018 regular meeting and City Council consideration as part of the May 21, 2018 regular meeting.

He noted that Surface Water Manager Greg Vigoren was approached by the American Lake Improvement Club asking for the City's help in preparing a grant to fund an Integrated Aquatic Vegetation Management Plan.

He reported that the City brought on an Intern, Captain Adam Richardson, a transitioning service member from JBLM to gain some experience in transitioning into either public service or the private sector. He will be working on two projects, updating the Arrowhead/Partridge Glenn fiscal/service analysis followed by undertaking a similar type analysis on what it would take to annex Camp Murray.

He also reported that in completing the year end Court contract reconciliation for DuPont, University Place and Steilacoom, the City collected more than the actual 2017 court contract costs based on usage from all three agencies. Unlike last year, DuPont and University Place are due credits totaling \$64,975 and \$11,513, respectively, while Steilacoom owes an additional \$6,523. These changes will be applied to the 2018 contracts as in previous years. He also announced that a Court Specialist will be retiring in May. At this time, the position will not be filled and the position will be evaluated given the lower levels of activity from two of the City's three contract agencies.

He reported that Mr. Tim Ford, CEO of Defense Communities, was provided a tour of the north clear zone and JBLM.

He then announced the following meetings and events:

- April 6, 5:30 PM, AUSA Night at the Rainiers
- April 7, 8:30 AM to noon, 2019-2020 Goal Setting Retreat, City Hall, Mt. Rainier Conference Room

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Bocchi commented on the Communities In School's breakfast. He also commented on the Steilacoom Boulevard construction and traffic flow issues. He then spoke about the North Lakewood Neighborhood Association meeting he attended.

Councilmember Brandstetter spoke about the past public hearing process that was used for the Gravelly Lake Drive Planned Development District.

Councilmember Simpson spoke about the opening of an evidenced based clinic in the Central Business District for treating mental health that is driven by evidence based work.

Deputy Mayor Whalen also commented on the Communities In Schools breakfast. He then spoke about the Community Executive Leadership Team meeting he attended. He noted that the Gravelly Lake Drive Non-Motorized Trail project will be an exciting project. He also commented on the upcoming Council Retreat and the discussion on the community survey results.

Mayor Anderson also commented on the Communities In Schools breakfast and the remarks provided by Congressman Heck. He then spoke about a discussion he had with Colonel Place about developing a Level 1 Trauma Center to Madigan that would serve the south sound at no cost to the State of Washington. He then commented on the Pierce Transit Board retreat he attended.

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Mayor Anderson announced that the Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 10 minutes to discuss potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency, litigation to which the agency is a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

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Council recessed into Executive Session at 10:25 p.m.

At 10:35 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended an additional 10 minutes.

At 10:45 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended an additional 10 minutes.

At 10:55 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended an additional 5 minutes.

At 11:00 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended an additional 5 minutes.

At 11:05 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended an additional 5 minutes.

At 11:10 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended an additional 5 minutes.

At 11:05 p.m. Mayor Anderson announced that Executive Session will be extended an additional 5 minutes.

Council reconvened at 11:15 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 p.m.


DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



ALICE M. BUSH, MMC
CITY CLERK