



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, October 28, 2019
City of Lakewood
City Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:01 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.

Lakewood's Promise Advisory Boardmembers Present: 5 - Chair Ellie Wilson, Vice-Chair Joyce Loveday, Andie Gernon, Brian Humphreys and Youth Councilmember Abel Alvarado.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Joint Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board meeting.

Chair Wilson introduced herself and members of the Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board. Ms. Loveday highlighted the 2019 work plan items and significant accomplishments. Ms. Gernon provided an overview of the community needs assessment survey of which results will be used when preparing the 2020-2022 human services priorities. Discussion ensued.

Review of 3rd Quarter 2019 Police Report.

Chief Zaro reported that overall calls for service have increased since the second quarter. He shared a comparison of crimes by district from 2017-2019, crimes against population, shots fired and shootings. He then shared activity in census blocks 265, 266 and 267 in District 01 and blocks 263 and 264 in District 02 as well as the adult family homes calls for service. He provided an overview of a speed emphasis that was conducted in the month of August and reviewed total accidents by month and quarter. He then shared the calls for service related to fireworks from both Lakewood Police, West Pierce Fire & Rescue and video footage of fireworks in the surrounding area.

He reported that a parks emphasis was conducted on September 13th with a goal to enforce trespassing within the park during closure hours, the department participated in several special events which included National Night Out, the Colonial Plaza grand opening ceremony and that the Special Response Team participated in one pre-planned incident and completed 55 hours of team training. Discussion ensued.

Review of Land Use and Development Code Update.

Assistant City Manager for Development Services Bugher shared that an update to the development code is necessary to remain consistent with statutory and regulatory changes, streamline the application and review process and to make the code easier to navigate.

Planning Manager Speir provided a summary of the newly proposed Title 18A Chapters. She highlighted the public outreach and stakeholder meetings that were hosted since December, 2018. She then shared the schedule for Council review and approval. Discussion ensued.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 2019 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Veterans Day Ceremony.
2. Proclamation recognizing November 11, 2019 as Veterans Day.
– *Col. Jonathan Chung, 2/2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team*
3. Youth Council Report.
4. Clover Park School District Report.
5. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs, in the amount of \$58,350, for state governmental relations services. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
6. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Johnston Group, in the amount of \$54,000, for federal governmental relations services. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
7. Approving the rezone of five parcels from Open Space & Recreation 2 (OSR2) to Open Space & Recreation 1 (OSR1) at or near the location of the former Fort Steilacoom Golf Course. – (Ordinance – Consent Agenda)
8. This is the date set for a public hearing on the 2019-2020 Mid-Biennium Budget Adjustment. – (Public Hearings and Appeals)

9. This is the date set for a public hearing on the 2020 Property Tax Levy.
– (Public Hearings and Appeals)
10. Authorizing the execution of a memorandum of agreement to cooperatively design and construct improvements to Seeley Lake Resource Conservancy Park. – (Motion – Regular Agenda)
11. Review of the Colonial Plaza public art design. – (Reports by the City Manager)

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Caulfield reported that a Veterans Day recognition ceremony will take place as part of the November 4th City Council meeting. Congressman Heck and Senator O'Ban will provide remarks and the Clover Park High School JROTC and the Lakes High School Choir will be participating.

He commented on the success of Make a Difference Day and the Kiwanis Playground dedication events that took place last week.

He then shared that the request from Affinity Group to expand the Multifamily Tax Exemption to coincide with the boundaries of the subarea plan is unnecessary as the City has verified the boundaries and a change is not needed.

He then commented that the City's website now hosts all Hearing Examiners decisions from 2018-2019. In addition, the City has created a webpage for communications related to the 2020 Census.

He shared that Tacoma Pierce County Health Department inspected the septic system at Karwan Mobile Home Park and has issued a ruling determining that it is failing.

He then commented on the Hearing Examiners decision regarding the former QFC property and that a notice and order was not appealed for the former Denny's property requiring completed permits to bring the building up to code or demolish.

He shared that the City received a 2019 property tax reimbursement for a CPI adjustment from the Nisqually Tribe in the amount of \$30,000 and the City has submitted a \$50,000 grant request to the tribe to support current human services programs.

He shared that the city will be accepting applications from November 1st through November 28th for use of a 2020 City Day at the McGavick Conference Center.

He then shared that the Pierce County Library System Board is unlikely to move forward with a capital bond for voter consideration in August 2020 and will instead

move forward with additional outreach in the Lakewood community regarding new libraries.

The State of Washington is looking to amend the Building Code regulations to allow daycares and adult family homes in multifamily apartment units. The City has reached out to the Association of Washington Cities as it views this as a land use regulation.

He then announced the following meetings and events:

- October 30, 5:00 P.M., Community Health Care's 50th Anniversary Celebration, Hotel Murano, Tacoma
- November 2 and 3, Fall Clean Up Day, LeMay Transfer Station, 3869 94th Street SW
- November 7, 6:00 P.M., 2/2 SBCT Lancers Dinner Event, Thornewood Castle
- December 7, Holiday Festival, Lakewood Parade of Lights and 23rd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Festivities, Lakewood City Hall

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Moss shared that last week she attended the Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) fundraising breakfast.

Councilmember Bocchi shared that last week he attended the Kiwanis Playground dedication event and that the Pierce County Regional Council is looking for a location to hold their annual meeting.

Councilmember Brandstetter shared that last week he attended the Association of Washington Cities on Tap meeting and this week he will be attending the state Public Facilities District meeting in Yakima.

Councilmember Barth shared that she participated in the Lakewood Citizens Academy.

Councilmember Simpson commented on an article he wrote for Heavy Equipment Colleges of America.

Deputy Mayor Whalen shared that last week he attended the Kiwanis Park playground dedication, the Lakewood Gardens retreat and this week he plans to attend the Community Healthcare Anniversary celebration.

Mayor Anderson shared that last week he attended the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, Association of Defense Communities Federal Outreach

and Advocacy Committee conference call, the Association of Washington Cities on Tap event and the Korean community meeting addressing public safety issues.

Executive Session

Mayor Anderson announced that the Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 10 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. The council is not expected to take final action following the executive session.

Council recessed into Executive Session at 10:04 p.m. and reconvened at 10:14 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.



DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK