



## **LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

City of Lakewood

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: 6 – Mayor Jason Whalen, Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, Ryan Pearson, Patti Belle, J. Trestin Lauricella and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmembers Excused: 1 – Deputy Mayor Mary Moss.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Whalen paused for a moment of silence and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Larry Saunders Service Award Presentation.**

Bob Warfield, Lakewood Community Foundation Fund presented the 2023 Larry Saunders Service Award to Eleanor “Ellie” Wilson for her extraordinary community service and volunteerism.

#### **Business Showcase.**

Mayor Whalen recognized Jose Gonzales, Veterans Roofing, as the January, 2024 Business Showcase for his commitment and positive impact to the Lakewood community.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Speaking before the Council were:

*Dennis Haugen, Sioux Falls resident*, spoke about topics not on the agenda.

*Roxy Giddings, Parkland resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.*

*James Dunlop, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.*

*Vicky Stanich, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.*

*Christina Manetti, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.*

*Helen Wagner, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.*

*Abraham Mirijalili, Lakewood resident, spoke about topics not on the agenda.*

## **C O N S E N T   A G E N D A**

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of January 2, 2024.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council study session of January 8, 2024.
- C. Motion No. 2024-05  
  
Authorizing the execution of a grant agreement with Washington State Emergency Management, in the amount of \$57,379, for Emergency Management Performance.
- D. Motion No. 2024-06  
  
Approving the Public Art Policy.
- E. Motion No. 2024-07  
  
Approving the citizens advisory board, committee and commission work plans.
- F. Motion No. 2024-08  
  
Reappointing Linda Smith to serve on the Greater Tacoma Regional Convention Center Public Facilities District Board through December 31, 2027.

G. Resolution No. 2024-01

Designating Elizabeth Pearson the official City of Lakewood representative to the Pierce County Conservation Futures and Open Space Citizens Advisory Board.

## H. Items filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

1. Planning Commission meeting minutes of November 15, 2023

COUNCILMEMBER BRANDSTETTER MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LAURICELLA. 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 to consider a Resolution regarding the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy coming before the voters on February 13, 2024.**

Speaking before Council were:

*Ron Banner, Clover Park School District,* spoke about the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy.

*Alli Laska, Clover Park School District student,* spoke in support of the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy.

*Lisa Boyd, Steilacoom resident,* spoke in support of the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy.

*Vicky Stanich, Lakewood resident,* spoke in support of the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy.

*Tate Bloom, Clover Park School District student,* spoke in support of the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy.

*Lola Stephens, Lakewood resident,* spoke in support of the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy.

There being no further testimony, the public hearing was declared closed at 8:11 p.m.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

### **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Caulfield shared that in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. the MLK 2024 celebration video was released on the website and various social media platforms.

He reported that the State Legislative Session kicked off last week and the city is engaged on various legislative priorities, it is anticipated that meetings with State Legislators will be scheduled for Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.

He then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- January 19, 3:00 P.M., Clover Park School District Winter Graduation Ceremony, McGavick Conference Center
- January 20, 11:00 A.M., Welcome Walk, Fort Steilacoom Park
- January 25, Homeless Point In Time Count
- February 3, Caring for Kids, Happy Hearts Dinner & Auction, McGavick Conference Center

### **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Brandstetter spoke about the Clover Park School District Winter Graduation Ceremony. Brandstetter requested the City Council hold a Special Meeting on January 22<sup>nd</sup> in advance of the Study Session to consider a Resolution regarding the Clover Park School District 4-year replacement educational programs and operations levy, after discussion the City Council will set the Special Meeting.

Councilmember Pearson shared that he looks forward to attending the Welcome Walk and spoke about the Hipkins Road project.

Councilmember Lauricella thanked Veterans Roofing for their work in the community. He shared that he plans to attend the Welcome Walk, the South Sound 911 Board meeting, spoke about inclement weather and the Hipkins Road project.

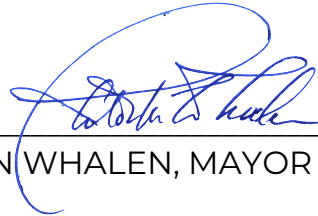
Councilmember Belle thanked Veterans Roofing and those who spoke this evening during public comment and the public hearing.

Councilmember Bocchi shared that last week he attended the South Sound Housing Affordability Partners (SSHA<sup>3</sup>P) meeting and he plans to attend the Welcome Walk.

Mayor Whalen shared that this week he will attend the Pierce Transit Board meeting, the Pierce County Regional Council meeting and the Welcome Walk. He thanked those who provided public comments and testimony this evening. Mayor Whalen shared that he will be the Alternate on the Puget Sound Regional Council.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.



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JASON WHALEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



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BRIANA SCHUMACHER  
CITY CLERK