



# LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND STATE LEGISLATORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

City of Lakewood

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## CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Whalen called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 – Mayor Jason Whalen, Deputy Mayor Mary Moss, Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, Don Anderson, Patti Belle, Linda Farmer and Paul Bocchi.

State Legislatures Present: 5 – Senator Steve Conway, Representative Melanie Morgan, Senator T'wina Nobles, Representatives Dan Bronoske and Mari Leavitt.

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

### **Review of the 2023 State Legislative Agenda and Legislative Policy Manual.**

Mayor Whalen thanked the State Legislative Delegation for attending and provided an overview of the agenda.

Deputy Mayor Moss highlighted the request for \$250,000 in support of the partnership with Nisqually Indian Tribe at Fort Steilacoom Park for cultural and historical improvements. The improvements will include signage, art and interpretive information throughout the park that will highlight the Nisqually people and Chief Leschi's legacy.

Councilmember Bocchi highlighted the request for \$500,000 in support of the Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) affordable housing project. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Brandstetter highlighted Public Safety initiatives and shared that the City is in support of reviewing the crime of possession of a controlled substances and restrictions on vehicle pursuits. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Belle highlighted the request for funding for Western State Hospital Community Partnership Program which has operated since 2007.

Councilmember Farmer highlighted the request for Geographic Equity in Discharge from State Facilities. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Anderson highlighted the South Sound Military and Communities Partnership (SSMCP) priorities specifically improvements to the state occupational licensing requirement. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Whalen thanked the State Legislative Delegation for attending this evening and for their support during the upcoming legislative session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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JASON WHALEN, MAYOR

  
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BRIANA SCHUMACHER  
CITY CLERK