



## **LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES**

Monday, April 10, 2023

City of Lakewood

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: 6 – Deputy Mayor Mary Moss, Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, Don Anderson, Patti Belle, Trestin Lauricella and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmembers Excused: 1 – Mayor Jason Whalen.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

#### **Review of 2022 Lakewood Police Department Annual Report.**

Chief Patrick Smith introduced himself. Chief Smith shared that overall crime increased 1.9% in 2022. He reported that property crime has increased by 6.4%, overall crimes against persons has increased by 8.2%, societal crimes has decreased by 17.13% and accidents decreased by 8.8%.

He shared that the Marine Services Unit completed 360 water patrol hours, issued 432 citations and conducted 283 vessel inspections. Animal Control received 1765 service requests, 236 impounds, issued 335 citations and removed eight potentially dangerous dogs.

He then reported that officers received a total of 24,976 training hours and there were 30 pursuits in 2022 of these four were terminated by Lakewood Police. He shared that five Officers were awarded the Medal of Valor, two Officers received the Medal of Meritorious Service, seven Lifesaving Awards and three Police Chief Commendation Awards were issued. Discussion ensued.

#### **Review allocation of \$1 Million in HOME funds and \$1.175 Million in HOME-ARP in support of Living Support Access Alliance (LASA) Gravelly Lake Commons 25-unit affordable housing development.**

Housing Program Manager Jeff Gumm shared that Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) applied for \$1 Million in HOME and \$1.175 Million in HOME-ARP funding in support of their 250 unit affordable housing development. He reviewed the funding allocations and program requirements. Discussion ensued and the City Council recommended further discussion at a future meeting prior to moving this item forward for funding approval.

**City Hall Utility Audit Update.**

Operations Superintendent Scott Williams was joined by Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Dodsworth. Williams shared that that the City Council requested a review of the City Hall building and equipment as well as options for modernization. Upon review, the city learned that in 2019 the state passed Clean Buildings legislation requiring all commercial buildings over 50,000 sq. ft. to lower cost and pollution from fossil fuel consumption by June 1, 2028.

He shared that McDonald Miller conducted an investment grade audit and made recommendations for replacement of components in building systems that will provide for energy efficiencies, costs savings and meet the Clean Buildings requirements. He reviewed the project budget, phases and benchmark assessment. He shared that a contract amendment for phase 1 improvements will come forward for City Council approval on April 17<sup>th</sup>. Discussion ensued.

**ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE APRIL 17, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:**

1. Presentation of check from Lakewood Rotary for the Fort Steilacoom Park Playground project.
2. Approving funding allocation of \$1 Million in HOME funds and \$1.175 Million in HOME-ARP in support of Living Support Access Alliance (LASA) Gravelly Lake Commons 25-unit affordable housing development. – (Motion – Regular Agenda)
3. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with KBH Construction for the Bridgeport Way Gateway Monument project. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
4. Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the agreement with the Department of Commerce for the City Hall Investment Grade Audit (IGA). – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
5. This is the date set for a public hearing on the FY 2023 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan. – ( Public Hearings and Appeals – Regular Agenda)
6. Review of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program. – (Reports by the City Manager)
7. Review of 2023 South Sound Military and Communities Partnership (SSMCP) Work plan. – (Reports by the City Manager)

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Caulfield shared that a new City Council group photo will take place on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M., it is recommended that the City Council cancel the May 8, 2023 study session since the Council will be returning from Gimhae that afternoon and the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Conference in Spokane is scheduled for June 20<sup>th</sup> through June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

He reported that an update on the Dolly Parton Imagination Library will be provided at the City Council meeting of April 17<sup>th</sup> and the City continues to work on an interlocal agreement related to the formation of the Opioid Abatement Council (OAC), this will come forward for review on May 15<sup>th</sup> followed by action on June 5<sup>th</sup> and a Financial Report update will come forward on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

He shared that the City continues conversations with Pierce County related to transfer of ownership of the Old Settlers Cemetery, it is anticipated that this agreement will come forward for City Council review in the coming months and the Pierce County Library System Board of Trustees is expected to approve a contract to demolish the current library located on Wildaire Road.

He then reported that Lakewood and several cities in the area launched CodeRED which allows the sending of emergency alerts via phone, text and email as well as non-emergency community alerts.

He then provided an update on State Legislative initiatives.

He then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- April 13, 7:00 P.M., Lake City Neighborhood Association Meeting, West Pierce Fire Department
- April 15 and 16, 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., Spring 2023 Community Cleanup, Waste Connections Transfer Station
- April 17, 5:00 P.M., Artist Reception, Lakewood City Hall
- April 22, 9:00 A.M., Parks Appreciation Day
- April 26, 7:30 A.M., Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) Fundraising Breakfast Event, McGavick Conference Center
- April 27, 6:30 P.M., Lakeview Light & Power Annual Meeting, Lakewood City Hall City Council Chambers
- April 28, 5:30 P.M., Cops v. Teachers Charity Basketball Game, Lakes High School

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Bocchi shared that the South Sound Housing Affordability Partners (SSHA<sup>3</sup>P) approved the 19 member advisory board at their meeting.

Councilmember Brandstetter shared that he took the Pierce County Tourism Survey and attended the Public Safety Advisory Committee meeting.

Councilmember Lauricella expressed appreciation to each of the speakers who presented this evening and shared he looks forward to meeting the new Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) Executive Director. He shared that he also attended the Public Safety Advisory Committee meeting.

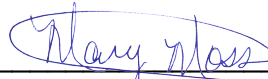
Councilmember Anderson spoke about his travels to Casa Blanca and Morocco.

Deputy Mayor Moss spoke about compliments she received while out walking the park on Sunday.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

ATTEST:



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MARY MOSS, DEPUTY MAYOR



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BRIANA SCHUMACHER  
CITY CLERK