



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION AGENDA

Monday, July 10, 2023

City of Lakewood

Council Chambers

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CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 5 – Deputy Mayor Mary Moss; Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, Don Anderson, Patti Belle and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmembers Excused: 2 – Mayor Jason Whalen and Councilmember Trestin Lauricella.

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee member Present: 2 – Dean Burke and Linda Smith.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) Gravelly Lake Commons Project Update.

Housing Program Manager Jeff Gumm introduced Executive Director Jason Stales, Living Access Support Alliance (LASA). Gumm shared that the City Council reviewed a proposal April 10, 2023 to allocate HOME and HOME-ARP funding towards the construction of 25 affordable housing units.

Discussion ensued related to LASA's financial status, federal income tax filings, turnover rate for tenants, the property management of Prairie Oaks, LASA's business model and the status of the Housing Trust fund application.

Gumm shared that next steps include bringing forward a funding proposal for City Council to allocate HOME and HOME-ARP funding to the project at a future meeting.

Joint Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting.

Acting City Manager Tho Kraus was joined by Dean Burke and Linda Smith, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee members. Kraus shared that it is estimated that the 2023 projected revenue amount to be \$1,125,000 and the estimated ending fund balance to be \$3,240,825 on December 31, 2023. She reported that the application period will open on July 31st, closes on August 21st and the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting with applicant presentations for funding requests will be held on September 22nd.

Dean Burke provided an overview of Travel Tacoma - Mt. Rainier Tourism & Sports role in the attracting visitors to the community and Linda Smith provided an overview of Lakewood Chamber of Commerce role in the attracting visitors to the community. Discussion ensued.

Lakewood Housing Needs Assessment.

Long Range and Strategic Planning Manager Tiffany Speir shared that this presentation is the third in a series of presentations to receive updates related to the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review process. She reviewed statutory and regulatory schemes and legislative actions that govern the planning of housing development and growth. She shared the Pierce County Housing Unit growth target noting that Lakewood needs to plan for 9378 housing units and 574 emergency housing units. She highlighted the Lakewood Housing Needs Assessment specifically the population and workforce characteristics, housing capacity, housing cost burden, housing market trends, and displacement risks. She then reviewed recommendations and incentives. She shared that next steps include a review by the Planning Commission on May 1, 2024 followed by action on June 26, 2024 and City Council will begin review in July 2024 followed by action. Discussion ensued.

Flock Safety Security Camera Presentation.

Police Chief Patrick Smith shared that year to date motor vehicle thefts have increased 22% therefore the city has identified various zones in the city and 36 entry points where technology can be used to identify vehicles and capture evidence with real time alerts for officers. He shared that an agreement with Flock Safety will come forward for City Council approval on July 17th. Discussion ensued.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JULY 17, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Proclamation recognizing August 1, 2023 as National Night Out.
2. Presentation from Wagon West Mobile Home Park.

3. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with KPG Promas, in the amount of \$251,750, for design services for the Wadsworth, Silcox and Boat Street Sewer Extension project. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
4. Authorizing the execution of an interagency agreement with the State of Washington Department of Ecology for the Pollution Prevention Assistance Partnership. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
5. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Flock Safety for security cameras. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
6. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with Sound Pacific Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$893,699, for the Union Avenue SW Sidewalk project. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
7. Appointing Ross Drangsholt, Mark Herr, Shawn C. Hill, Kris Kaufmann and Linda Smith to serve on the Independent Salary Commission.
(Motion – Consent Agenda)
8. Review of 2nd Quarter (2023) Police Report. – (Reports by the City Manager)

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Acting City Manager Kraus shared that the City Council has two Representatives Mayor Whalen and Councilmember Bocchi with voting authority at the Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) and a vacancy as an Alternate. She noted that Whalen will be absent for the July 20th meeting therefore the City Council should appointment an Alternate. After discussion, Councilmember Anderson will serve as Alternate, approval will come forward at the City Council meeting of July 17th.

She then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- June 6 to September 19, 2:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M., Lakewood Farmers Market, Fort Steilacoom Park
- June 20 to August 29, Tuesdays, 6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., Summer Concerts, Fort Steilacoom Park Pavilion
- July 15, 11:00 A.M. to 11 P.M., SummerFEST, Fort Steilacoom Park
- July 15 and 16, JBLM Airshow & Warrior Expo featuring USAF Thunderbirds, JBLM
- July 27, 5:00 P.M., Groundbreaking for the Fort Steilacoom Park Turf Fields Improvement Project, Fort Steilacoom Park
- July 27, 6:00 P.M., Mayors Coffeehouse, Fort Steilacoom Park Pavilion

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Belle thanked those who presented this evening and looks forward to attending SummerFEST.

Councilmember Anderson shared that he will be attending the JBLM Airshow and SummerFEST. He spoke about Lodging Tax funding for capital projects.

Councilmember Brandstetter shared that he looks forward to attending SummerFEST.

Councilmember Bocchi shared that last week he attended the South Sound Housing Affordability Partners (SSHA³P) meeting and next week will attend the Pierce County Regional Council (PCRC) meeting.

Deputy Mayor Moss shared that she looks forward to attending SummerFEST and this week she will attend the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce Luncheon.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

MARY MOSS, DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST:

BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK