



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION AGENDA

Monday, August 14, 2023

City of Lakewood

Council Chambers

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CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 – Mayor Whalen; Deputy Mayor Mary Moss; Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, Don Anderson (virtually), Patti Belle, Trestin Lauricella and Paul Bocchi.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Abatement Program Update.

Housing Program Manager Jeff Gumm shared that in 2022 there were 18 dangerous building and 5 nuisance building abatement projects completed. In 2023, 9 dangerous building and 2 nuisance building abatements were completed and there are currently 15 pending projects. He then reviewed before and after photos of the properties. Discussion ensued.

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

Housing Program Manager Jeff Gumm shared that the request to allocate funding in support of the Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) Gravelly Lake Commons 25-unit affordable housing development has been previously reviewed by the City Council on April 10, 2023 and July 10, 2023. Discussion ensued related to the project and funding. This item will come forward for City Council consideration at the August 21st regular meeting.

2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review Update: Land Use.

Long Range and Strategic Planning Manager Tiffany Speir shared that individuals can visit the city's website and lakewood.wa.speaks.org to receive information about the 2023 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review updates and to provide feedback or submit comments. She reviewed community partners who will

participate in the review process as required by state law or policy and highlighted the review and certification process for the adoption of the Comprehensive Plan.

She reviewed the land use categories and housing capacity for future development, the buildable land capacity on underutilized parcels, a map of middle housing and Accessory Dwelling Unit Areas in relation to critical area habitats, a wildfire interface and intermix map and the tree canopy goals.

She highlighted how the existing plans would be incorporated into the 2024 Comprehensive Plan noting that the Planning Commission will begin review in May 1, 2024 followed by a review by the City Council in July, 2024 with final adoption taking place by the end of 2024. Discussion ensued.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 21, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Washington State Healthcare Authority for Lakewood's CHOICE. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
2. Approve funding allocation of \$1 Million in HOME funds and \$1.175 Million in HOME-ARP in support of Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) Gravelly Lake Commons 25-unit affordable housing development.
– (Resolution – Regular Agenda)
3. Authorizing use of \$74,855 of "1406" funds for rental assistance to Lakewood Clients served by Metropolitan Development Council (MDC).
– (New Business – Regular Agenda)
4. Review of City Hall Redesign Study. – (Reports by the City Manager)

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Caulfield shared that the investigation continues of the fire at the Jamestown Mobile Home Park, West Pierce Fire & Rescue has authorized clean-up of the debris and work continues to help relocate those who have been displaced.

He shared that a Volunteer Recognition event has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 27, 2023 starting at 5:00 p.m. at the Clover Park Technical College Rotunda and the Municipal Court has secured a grant, in the amount of \$187,000, to establish a Therapeutic Court to serve Lakewood, DuPont and Steilacoom.

He then shared that Sound Transit is updating their Sounder South Strategic Plan and applications are being accepted for the 2024 Lodging Tax grant awards.

He then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- August 15 to September 19, Tuesdays, 2:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M., Farmers Market, Fort Steilacoom Park
- August 15 to August 29, Tuesdays, 6:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., Summer Concerts, Fort Steilacoom Park Pavilion
- August 19, noon to 5:00 P.M., 2023's End of Summer Celebration Event hosted by Springbrook Connections and Lakewood's Choice, Springbrook Park
- August 26, 10:00 A.M., Wall Raising for Dr. Claudia Thomas, Habitat for Humanity, 15210 Portland Ave SW

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Belle thanked those who presented this evening and shared she looks forward to learning more about the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilmember Lauricella requested clarification on the number of emergency housing units located in the City specifically as referenced in the Comprehensive Plan.

Councilmember Brandstetter shared that he attended the Association of Washington Cities Municipal Budgeting Workshop and the South Sound 911 Preliminary Budget Workshop.

Councilmember Anderson shared that he will be absent from the August 21st City Council meeting.

Councilmember Bocchi shared that he attended the Lake City Neighborhood Association meeting and he shared that the Angle Lane sidewalk project is completed.

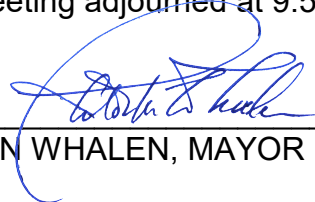
Deputy Mayor Moss shared that she attended a meeting with Colonel Gallo, 2/2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team, the Saturday Street Festival, and this week she will attend the Springbrook Summer Celebration event.

Mayor Whalen shared that he met with Colonel Gallo, 2/2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team, he hosted a Pierce County Mayors Public Safety discussion and commented on the Angle Lane sidewalks.

He shared that this week he will attend the Dolly Parton Imagination Library event at the Pantages Theater.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.



JASON WHALEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



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