



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

Monday, September 25, 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: 5 – Mayor Whalen; Deputy Mayor Mary Moss; Councilmember Don Anderson, J. Trestin Lauricella and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmembers Excused: 2 – Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter and Patti Belle.

Lakewood Arts Commission Members Present Board Members Present:  
9 – Chair Emily Feleen, Vice-Chair Earl Borgert, Sylvi Estrella, Paige Hansen, Lani Neil, Darryl Owens, Lua Pritchard, Phillip Raschke and Susan Warner.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

#### **Joint Lakewood Arts Commission meeting.**

Lakewood Arts Commission Boardmembers introduced themselves. Arts Commission members highlighted events and activities that were coordinated such as the Rotating Artist Showcase and Reception, the Holiday Parade, Signal Box Wrap Program, Martin Luther King, Jr. video, Gateway Arcs Public Art, Summer Concerts, Fiesta de la Familia and the Mural at Fort Steilacoom Park. They shared that an Arts Commission Retreat will be held on October 17<sup>th</sup> at Lakewold Gardens and the Holiday Parade will be held on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Discussion ensued.

**Review of Naming Process for Motor Ave.**

Parks, Recreation and Community Services Director Mary Dodsworth provided an overview of prior discussions related to options and processes that could be used to name or rename the plaza area on Motor Avenue in Lakewood. Discussion ensued and it was recommended that the area be named as Colonial Plaza which will come forward for City Council action at a future meeting.

**2024 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Review Update.**

Long Range and Strategic Planning Manager Tiffany Speir provided an overview of House Bill 1110 related to housing densities, reviewed historically racially restricted parcels, options for usage of accessory dwelling units, a map highlighting the critical areas, oak canopies and the transit buffer zones. Speir then highlighted the Puget Sound Regional Council Displacement Risk index by Census Tract, planned displacement in the Air Corridor zones and map excerpts from the City of Lakewood's Equity Index Map. Discussion ensued.

**ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE OCTOBER 2, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:**

1. Proclamation recognizing the Filipino American History month. – *Maria Manalac, Board member, Filipino American Historical Society, Greater Puget Sound Chapter*
2. Proclamation recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness month. – *Lise Schumacher, Assistant City Attorney, City of Lakewood*
3. Youth Council Report. – *Kaitlynn Miller and Violet Johnson, Youth Councilmembers*
4. Clover Park School District Report. – *Anthony Veliz, Boardmember*
5. Authorizing the execution of an amendment to the interagency agreement with the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services for the Lakewood City Hall Phase I Energy Upgrades. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
6. Authorizing the execution of an agreement for the Western State Hospital Plan review. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
7. Appointing Youth Councilmembers Alli Laska, Alexis Lynn, Katherine Kaiser and Launa Nieto-Johnson to serve on the

Lakewood's Promise Advisory Board for the 2023-2024 school year.  
– (Motion – Consent Agenda)

8. Reports by the City Manager - Review of 2024 Property Tax Levy Ordinance. – (Reports by the City Manager)

## **REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Caulfield shared that the October 9<sup>th</sup> Study Session will include a review of the Federal, State and County legislative agenda and policy manuals. He shared that on October 2<sup>nd</sup> the City will bring forward a motion to authorize the termination of the emergency proclamation related to the fire at Fort Steilacoom Park and the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee met last week and recommendations for funding will come forward at a future meeting.

He then announced the following upcoming meetings and events:

- September 27, 5:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M., Volunteer Recognition Event, Clover Park Technical College Rotunda
- September 27, 6:30 P.M., Pierce County Council District 6 meeting, DuPont City Council Chambers, 1700 Civic Drive
- September 28, 6:00 P.M., Mayor's Coffeehouse, Fort Steilacoom Park Pavilion
- October 5, 1:00 P.M., Economic Development Board Manufacturing Day, Clover Park Technical College
- October 14, 12:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M., Truck & Tractor Day, Fort Steilacoom Park
- October 18, 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. Pierce County Thriving Together for Small Businesses, McGavick Conference Center

## **CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Bocchi shared that he attended the Pierce County Regional Council meeting and he visited the new Nourish Food Bank building.

Councilmember Lauricella shared that he participated in the Lakewood Farmers Market and expressed thanks for the work that went into the event and the Arts Commission for their presentation this evening.

Councilmember Anderson spoke about stolen vehicles in Pierce County year to year.

Deputy Mayor Moss thanked the Arts Commission for their presentation this evening.

Mayor Whalen shared that last week he attended the Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners meeting, the Pierce County Regional Council meeting and the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting.

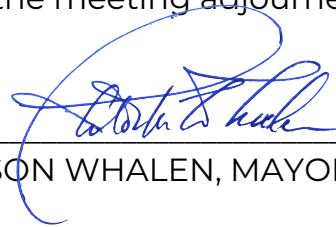
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Mayor Whalen announced that the City Council will recess into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public official. The City Council is not expected to take action following the Executive Session other than to adjourn the meeting.

The City Council recessed into Executive Session at 9:41 p.m. and reconvened at 9:55 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**


There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.



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JASON WHALEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



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BRIANA SCHUMACHER  
CITY CLERK