



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
September 28, 2010

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Esquivel in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Monsignor Joseph Greeley, St. Pancratius Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Steve Croft

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Joseph Esquivel
Vice Mayor Larry Van Nostran
Council Member Steve Croft
Council Member Diane DuBois
Council Member Todd Rogers

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Recreation and Community Services Director Lisa Litzinger announced that help was needed from the community to restock the Project Shepherd food pantry, used to assist needy families throughout the year. She stated that all park facilities would have special donation boxes for non-perishable food items.

Mayor Esquivel announced that after 33 years of service to the City, Deputy City Manager Don Waldie would be retiring at the end of the month. He thanked Don for all the great work he had done for the people of Lakewood.

Council Member Rogers stated that over the past nine years working with Don, he had learned more about Lakewood than he had known from a lifetime here.

Council Member Croft acknowledged Don as a great ambassador and spokesman for the City. He noted that Don was quite well known and through the articles and books he had written, he had brought recognition to Lakewood.

Vice Mayor Van Nostran commended Don for his dedication to the City and his sound representation to the media as the official City spokesman.

Council Member DuBois thanked Don for his guidance and noted that the City's residents were lucky to have someone with Lakewood in his heart to represent them.

Deputy City Manager Don Waldie thanked the City Council for their comments and stated that it had been a privilege for him to tell the City's stories. He stated that the City Councils, both past and present, had helped to make Lakewood a great place and to inspire the belief that the City can make a difference in the lives of its residents.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held September 14, 2010
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Revisions to Conflict of Interest Code for City Officers and Employees
- RI-5 Approval of Appointments to the Lakewood Project Shepherd Board
- RI-6 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions
- RI-7 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 08-2, Residential Street Rehab, Silvia Construction, Inc.
- RI-8 Approval of Amendment to the Lease for the Lakewood Equestrian Center
- RI-9 RESOLUTION NO. 2010-58; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF 209TH STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft, Rogers and Esquivel

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 09-7, TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp displayed slides and gave a report based on the report in the agenda. She stated as a result of a comprehensive Traffic Signal Study, the proposed project for modification of traffic signals at seven locations would be the third of three projects for traffic signal improvements across the City. This final project would provide for the installation of protected/permissive left-turn phasing on Woodruff Avenue at Arbor Road; and new poles with longer mast arms would be installed at Paramount Boulevard at its intersections with Arbor Road, Bomberry Street and Hardwick Street; on Candlewood Street at its intersections with Downey Avenue and Woodruff Avenue; and on Pioneer Boulevard at its intersection with 215th Street. She noted that funding for this project had come to the City from a Federal Transportation, Community and System Preservation Grant obtained with the assistance of Congresswoman Linda Sanchez. She reported that eight bids had been received for the project which was scheduled to begin in February of 2011. She stated that although

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 09-7, TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS - Continued

the lowest bidder for the project was Social Engineers, Inc., a problem with their bonding company had caused their bidder's bond to be withdrawn, thereby making their bid non-responsive. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications and working details for the project; reject the bid submitted by Social Engineers, Inc. as non-responsive; award a contract to Freeway Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$534,035; and authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of contract change orders, as needed, not to exceed \$100,000.

Council Member Rogers inquired about any possible objection from Social Engineers. City Attorney Steve Skolnik responded by stating that Social Engineers did not object and had, in fact, requested to withdraw their bid, but had not made the request in the time period allowed by State codes.

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 7:52 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

Jose Delgado, District Director for Congresswoman Linda Sanchez, stated that Congresswoman Sanchez, although unable to be present due to business in Washington, D.C., was happy to have provided her assistance and thrilled to see Federal tax dollars being put to work to the benefit of the community.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft, Rogers and Esquivel
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • CDBG PROGRAM CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT

Community Development Director Sonia Southwell presented a report based on the memo in the agenda and stated that Federal Community Development Block Grant regulations required the submittal of an annual performance report describing its program achievements. She also stated that the report discussed performance in the context of the strategic goals of the Consolidated Plan and Action Plan. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council hold a public hearing to receive citizen comments and direct staff to submit the report and any comments received to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 8:00 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

1.2 • CDBG PROGRAM CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT - Continued

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft, Rogers and Esquivel
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

. . .

3.1 • FUND EXCHANGE AND ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and reported an offer had been received from the City of Manhattan Beach to exchange Lakewood Proposition A Transit Funds, which were restricted and only available for certain transportation purposes, for general fund monies that could be used for any purpose. She noted that even after utilizing our allocation of Prop A funds for all qualifying projects, such as DASH Transit, Lakewood had a surplus of those funds. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the Proposition A Transit Funds exchange and Assignment Agreement with the City of Manhattan Beach.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft, Rogers and Esquivel
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

. . .

At 8:03 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:04 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

. . .

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

. . .

CLOSED SESSION:

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, Pursuant to Government Code §54957
Mayor Esquivel announced that the City Council would recess to a closed session pursuant to Government Code §54957 regarding the position of City Manager.

At 8:48 p.m., the City Council reconvened and the City Attorney advised that there was no action to announce.

. . .

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Esquivel adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC

City Clerk