Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
March 22, 2011

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:46 p.m. by Mayor Esquivel in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Michael Conan, Lakewood Christ Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Todd Rogers

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

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Mayor Esquivel introduced members of his family in the audience, including his wife, Pat, daughters Debbie and Diane, son Doug, and his brother visiting from Louisiana. He thanked his colleagues on the City Council and the members of City staff, stating he was proud to be part of such a well-run city. He pointed out that Lakewood continued to have a balanced budget, with no cuts in services or employee layoffs or furloughs. He stated that Lakewood had been good to him and to his family, that he loved both the job and the people he had worked with. He concluded by stating that although it was hard to retire after 21 years of service on the City Council, he was confident that Jeff Wood would do a great job for the community.

MARCH 8, 2011 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
DECLARING RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

The City Clerk reported that the successful candidates in the March 8, 2011 election were Lawrence H. "Larry" Van Nostran and Jeff Wood, and presented the canvass of election, as contained in the proposed resolution, for City Council approval.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-8, DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-8; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN SAID CITY ON MARCH 8, 2011, DECLARING THE RESULTS THEREOF, AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

MARCH 8, 2011 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - Continued

Vice Mayor Van Nostran presented outgoing Mayor Esquivel with a plaque and scrapbook commemorating his year of service as Mayor. Vice Mayor Van Nostran also presented Mrs. Pat Esquivel with a bouquet of flowers in recognition of her support for her husband and the many demands made on their time during his year as mayor.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Council Members-elect Larry Van Nostran and Jeff Wood. Each Council Member signed the oath and was presented with a Certificate of Election.

Council Member Wood assumed his seat at the dais. He introduced the members of his family present in the audience, including his wife, Mary Jane, and daughters, Kaitlin and Courtney. He stated he was encouraged by all of the support he had received throughout the election process and would continue to work to merit their trust.

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ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL
ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR

Council Member Rogers stated that Larry Van Nostran had first been elected to the City Council in 1975 and had been re-elected 9 times, with 8 terms as Mayor. Larry was the founder of the Lakewood Youth Sports Hall of Fame program, the President of the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority Executive Committee, and active in community organizations. He stated that he had served with Larry on the City Council for the past ten years and knew him to be a fierce defender of the quality of life in Lakewood.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO NOMINATE LARRY VAN NOSTRAN TO SERVE AS MAYOR. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, LARRY VAN NOSTRAN WAS DECLARED MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION.

Mayor Van Nostran stated he was grateful to the voters of Lakewood for demonstrating their trust in him by re-electing him to another term of office and thanked his colleagues for their confidence in selecting him for the office Mayor. He thanked the City staff for their work and commitment that contributed to the stability and success of Lakewood, especially City Manager Howard Chambers. He expressed his determination to work as a team with his City Council colleagues to meet the challenges of the coming year, such as: job losses affecting Lakewood families; State and Federal budget deficits; State takeaways of local revenue; declining support for neighborhood schools and loss of local control over neighborhoods. He reviewed his priorities for the coming year as: public safety; neighborhood preservation; transparency; economic development; and reducing outrageous regulations. He concluded by stating that regardless of the challenges, he was not discouraged because Lakewood had one of the finest law enforcement teams in the nation; despite the recession, had growing retail and restaurant sectors; had a wonderful, diverse population with active volunteers; and had a city government that listened and responded to the community.

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL
ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR - Continued
Council Member Croft stated that Diane DuBois had served the City well for many years as a member of Lakewood's Planning and Environment Commission and that since being elected to the City Council had been an excellent representative on behalf of the City on committees like Ronald McDonald House and the Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO NOMINATE DIANE DUBOIS TO SERVICE AS VICE MAYOR. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, DIANE DUBOIS WAS DECLARED VICE MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION.

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ROUTINE ITEMS:
Mayor Van Nostran announced that Routine Item 1 would be considered separately.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 2 THROUGH 12.

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions

RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2011-9; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD VACATING A WATER PIPELINE EASEMENT LOCATED AT 6482 SOUTH STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-6 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 09-8; Traffic Signal Modifications and Fire Station PreEmpt; Christopher R. Morales, Inc.

RI-7 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 09-5; Demolition of Properties for Scattered Lot Acquisition Program; J&G Industries, Inc.

RI-8 Acceptance of Transfer of Interest in Real Properties Located at the Northeast Corner of Clark Avenue and Del Amo Boulevard to the City of Lakewood by the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency

RI-9 Authorization for Additional Street Paving and Approval of Change Order for Public Works Project No. 11-2, Silvia Construction, Inc.

RI-10 Authorization for Additional Watermain Replacement and Approval of Change Order for Public Works Project No. 11-1, T.A. Rivard, Inc.

RI-11 Approval of Amendment to Agreement with Tri-Com Fire and Electric Co. for Fire Extinguisher and Life Safety Equipment Maintenance

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-12 Approval of Change Order for Public Works Project No. 09-9, Re-Roofing Improvements - Nixon Yard Garage; Roofing Standards

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEM 1.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held February 22, and March 8, 2011

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

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2.1 • ADOPTION OF SIGNATURE RESOLUTIONS

City Attorney Steve Skolnik advised that the proposed resolutions were procedural documents that were legally necessary to enable the City's financial transactions and could be enacted with a single motion and vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-10; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO DEPOSIT FUNDS FOR SAFEKEEPING AND INVESTMENT AND AUTHORIZING WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS FROM DEPOSITORIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-11; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF L.H. VAN NOSTRAN, MAYOR, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-12; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF DIANE DUBOIS, MAYOR PRO TEM, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO. 2011-10 THROUGH NO. 2011-12. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

At 8:25 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:28 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Van Nostran adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk

City of Lakewood

I, Denise R. Hayward, City Clerk of the City of Lakewood, County of Los Angeles, State of California, do hereby certify that I have canvassed the returns of the General Municipal Election held in said City on the 8th day of March, 2011, and find that the number of votes given at each precinct and the number of votes given in the City to persons voted for the Office of Member of the City Council for which said persons were candidates were as follows:

County Precincts	(1,7,12,13,30)	(1,7,12,13,30)	(3,4,8,9,16,85)	(3,4,8,9,16,85)	(15,20,21,25)	(15,20,21,25)	(10,19,23,27,28,82)	(10,19,23,27,28,82)	(31,32,34,35,38)
Lakewood Precincts	PCT # **1**	PCT # **1 VBM**	PCT # **3**	PCT # **3 VBM**	PCT # **15**	PCT # **15 VBM**	PCT # **19**	PCT # **19 VBM**	PCT # **31**
Registered Voters	4090	4090	4907	4907	3223	3223	4494	4494	4165
Voter turnout	5%	6%	5%	8%	5%	8%	7%	9%	5%
Ballots cast	222	255	242	391	175	242	298	411	207
Lawrence H. "Larry" Van Nostran	143	178	112	223	85	136	161	241	115
Joy Janes	61	69	77	108	63	83	101	119	54
Jeff Wood	107	95	130	192	98	108	162	180	102
Marisa Perez	42	38	46	51	35	39	49	71	48
Marc Titel	60	70	69	90	36	58	76	104	42
Total Votes	413	450	434	664	317	424	549	715	361

Exhibit "A"

County Precincts	(31,32,34,35,38)	(37,40,45,48,112)	(37,40,45,48,112)	(42,43,46,50)	(42,43,46,50)	(52,55,57,59,60,69)	(52,55,57,59,60,69)	(53,54,62,64,66,67)	(53,54,62,64,66,67)
Lakewood Precincts	PCT # **31 VBM**	PCT # **40**	PCT # **40 VBM**	PCT # **42**	PCT # **42 VBM**	PCT # **52**	PCT # **52 VBM**	PCT # **53**	PCT # **53 VBM**
Registered Voters	4165	3585	3585	3230	3230	4421	4421	4781	4781
Voter turnout	8%	5%	8%	7%	10%	6%	11%	7%	10%
Ballots cast	336	196	300	213	307	248	504	316	480
Lawrence H. "Larry" Van Nostran	215	99	178	110	167	129	271	129	253
Joy Janes	99	87	101	67	91	70	155	128	143
Jeff Wood	128	84	123	117	150	124	201	154	210
Marisa Perez	50	44	55	51	41	54	102	70	89
Marc Titel	103	35	75	37	71	65	107	72	104
Total Votes	595	349	532	382	520	442	836	553	799

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County Precincts	(2,70,72,79,91)	(2,70,72,79,91)	(73,75,76,80,90,92)	(73,75,76,80,90,92)		
Lakewood Precincts	PCT # **70**	PCT # **70 VBM**	PCT # **73**	PCT # **73 VBM**	Late VBM & Provisional	TOTALS
Registered Voters	4051	4051	4973	4973		45920
Voter turnout	3%	6%	3%	5%		14%
Ballots cast	113	243	146	241	242	6328
Lawrence H. "Larry" Van Nostran	49	122	55	122	109	3402
Joy Janes	39	80	75	91	80	2041
Jeff Wood	45	81	47	64	108	2810
Marisa Perez	44	65	52	64	63	1263
Marc Titel	30	73	36	50	64	1527
Total Votes	207	421	265	391	424	11043

Denise D. Hayward

Dated: March 22, 2011

Exhibit "A"