



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
November 27, 2007

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

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Michael Vaughn, Christ Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Todd Rogers

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

A presentation was made by Lakewood Special Olympics and City employee, Dustin Plunkett, regarding his appointment as Special Olympics Global Messenger. Dustin, the first Global Messenger appointed from California, and his speech coach, Meera Gandhi, displayed a slide show regarding their recent trip to the Special Olympics World Games in China.

Mayor DuBois announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Michael Hersek, President of the Bellflower Unified School District Board and former teacher at Mayfair High School.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held October 23, and November 13, 2007

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Approval of Meeting Reports and Authorizations Pursuant to AB1234

RI-5 Approval of Amendment to Architect's Agreement - Lakewood Sheriff Station Expansion Project

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-6 Approval of Amendment to Service Provider Agreement with Electro Dynamic Services

RI-7 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions

RI-8 Approval of Agreement for Construction Emergency Services with Har-Bro

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • SPECIFIC PLAN, ORDINANCE NO. 2007-9

Community Development Director Jack Gonsalves displayed slides and gave a brief presentation based on the item in the agenda. He reported there was an application for a specific plan which would allow the expansion of an existing single-family residence located in the M-F-R zone. He advised the Specific Plan was necessary due to a narrow lot with non-conforming side yard setbacks. He noted that Development Review Board (DRB) approval of the plans would be required prior to the issuance of building permits. It was the recommendation of the Planning and Environment Commission that the City Council conduct a public hearing and introduce Ordinance No. 2007-9 to approve the Specific Plan.

Mr. Gonsalves confirmed for Council Member Rogers that no objections to the project were raised during the Planning and Environment Commission's review of the proposal.

Council Members Rogers and Van Nostran both expressed concern about the safety of the property having a single entrance. City Attorney Steve Skolnik stated that a second outside door could be required as part of the DRB approval or could be attached as a condition of approval of the Specific Plan.

Mayor DuBois opened the public hearing at 8:02 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

Anna Parra stated she was the applicant and had no problem including an additional outside door in the project.

ORDINANCE NO. 2007-9; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE SPECIFIC PLAN

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

1.1 • SPECIFIC PLAN FOR 20604 ALBURTIS AVENUE - Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2007-9 WITH AN ADDED CONDITION FOR AN ADDITIONAL OUTSIDE DOOR. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY 2008 FIRE CODE AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF SAID CODE

The City Attorney advised that the Lakewood Municipal Code was structured so that certain uniform codes, such as the Fire Code, were adopted by reference. He noted that the County of Los Angeles was in the process of adopting the 2008 Fire Code, which would require the City to adopt this newer version by reference. Prepared for City Council consideration was an ordinance adopting the Code and a resolution setting a public hearing prior to adoption. He stated that the Fire Marshall would be invited to attend the public hearing and advise the Council of the code changes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-60; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DECLARING ITS INTENT TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE 2008 FIRE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH IN TURN ADOPTS BY REFERENCE THE 2007 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, AS SET FORTH IN TITLE 32 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, AND TO AMEND SECTION 3101 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, AND SETTING HEARING THEREON BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL AT 7:30 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2008, IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 5000 CLARK AVENUE, LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2007-10; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2008 FIRE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH IN TURN ADOPTS BY REFERENCE THE 2007 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, AS SET FORTH IN TITLE 32 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE, AND AMENDING SECTION 3101 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR CROFT SECONDED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2007-10 AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2007-60.

2.1 • LOS ANGELES COUNTY 2008 FIRE CODE - Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

Mayor DuBois reported that correspondence had been received from the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District regarding the expiration of Council Member Esquivel's term on their Board of Trustees.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO RE-APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBER JOSEPH ESQUIVEL TO THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

At 8:08 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:09 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Darrel Manson addressed the City Council regarding recycling.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor DuBois adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Michael Hersek.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk