



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
December 12, 2006

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:37 p.m. by Mayor Van Nostran in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Dr. John Bonner, Chaplain Emeritus to the City Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Joseph Esquivel

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Van Nostran announced that a reception had been held prior to the meeting to honor Joan Biegel in her retirement and welcome Lisa Litzinger as the new Director of Recreation and Community Services.

Mayor Van Nostran also announced that Lakewood's Kris Kringle golf tournament had raised over \$25,000 in support of Project Shepherd.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held November 14, and November 28, 2006
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Lease Agreement with Southern California Edison Company for Rynerson Park
- RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2006-77; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE EAST SIDE OF ADENMOOR AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2006-78; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE EAST SIDE OF GONDAR AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-6 Approval of Appointment to the Project Shepherd Board

RI-7 Approval of Amendment to Informational Technology Agreement with ACS State and Local Solutions, Inc.

RI-8 Approving Use of Title 22 Water Quality Monitoring Program Services

RI-9 Approval of Encroachment Permit

RI-10 Approval of Emergency Sewer Repairs

RI-11 Approval of Amendment to Meyer & Associates Agreement - Centre HVAC Project

RI-12 Approval of Amendment to OMB Engineers Agreement - Sheriff Station Expansion Project

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • ORDINANCE NO. 2006-12; PERTAINING TO FRONT YARD SETBACKS IN THE M-F-R (MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE

Community Development Director Chuck Ebner displayed slides and presented a report based on the memo in the agenda. He stated that present code sections required a five foot street dedication for additions to single family homes in the Multiple Family Residential (MFR) zone with an existing substandard right-of-way width. However, if the dedication resulted in the site having less than the required 20-foot front yard, the project was prohibited. The proposed code amendment would allow a remodel or addition project to go forward even though the road dedication resulted in a front yard of less than 20 feet without the property being considered nonconforming. It was the recommendation of the Planning and Environment Commission that the City Council introduce the proposed ordinance following a hearing for public input.

Mr. Ebner clarified for Council Member Rogers that the code amendment would not affect the existing percentage of a lot allowed to be covered by a structure.

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

1.1 • ORDINANCE NO. 2006-12; PERTAINING TO FRONT YARD SETBACKS IN THE M-F-R (MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE - Continued

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-12; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING SECTION 9460 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO FRONT YARD SETBACKS IN THE MFR ZONE

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2006-12. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • REFINANCE SENIOR HOUSING FACILITY, 21309 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE

Finance Director Larry Schroeder gave a brief presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated the City was being requested to approve the refinancing of the existing senior housing facility located at 21309 Bloomfield Avenue. The refinancing would be accomplished through the California Statewide Communities Development Authority with the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3.3 million. He clarified that the Authority, made up of numerous cities, counties and special districts, would be fully responsible and the amount would not be a debt of the City.

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-79; RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING THE REFINANCING OF MULTIFAMILY HOUSING FACILITIES BY THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2006-79. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.3 • COLLECTION OF NUISANCE ABATEMENT COSTS FOR 5303 ADENMOOR AVENUE

The Director of Community Development made a brief presentation based on the memo in the agenda and reported a code enforcement case had been established based upon a complaint of an illegal structure, a shed which was attached to both the rear garage wall and the rear property line wall at 5303 Adenmoor Avenue. He noted that despite multiple notices, an office conference and administrative citations, the property owner had not corrected the violation. Under a warrant issued by the courts, the City demolished the illegal structure and then presented the property owner with a bill for the cost of abatement. To date, the bill remained unpaid and staff was recommending the assessment of a lien in the amount of \$4,671 against the parcel known as 5303 Adenmoor Avenue.

Responding to a question from Mayor Van Nostran, Mr. Ebner stated that the abatement process did move slowly, as the property owner was able to request numerous opportunities to correct violations before any final legal action was taken.

Mayor Van Nostran 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-80; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ORDERING THE COSTS OF ABATEMENT TO BE A SPECIALLY ASSESSED LIEN AGAINST THE PARCEL OF LAND COMMONLY KNOWN AS 5303 ADENMOOR AVENUE, LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2006-80. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.4 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT NO. 2006-4, CENTRALIA PARKWAY & DEL AMO MEDIAN LANDSCAPE

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated six bids had been received for the Centralia Parkway & Del Amo Median Landscape project. The proposed project would provide for the installation of irrigation, turf and pines in the Centralia Street parkway; and irrigation, turf, and planter boxes for flowers in the Del Amo Boulevard median. Construction was scheduled to begin in January and be completed in March, 2007. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the plans, specifications and working details for Public Works Contract No. 06-04; award the contract to the low bidder, Belaire-West Landscape in the amount of \$282,320; authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders, as needed, not to exceed \$30,000; and appropriate \$130,000 from the General Fund to the project account.

**1.4 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT NO. 2006-4,
CENTRALIA PARKWAY & DEL AMO MEDIAN LANDSCAPE - Continued**

Responding to a question from Mayor Van Nostran, Ms. Rapp advised that there would not be trees planted in the Del Amo Boulevard due to sight distance considerations and that planter boxes would be substituted.

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:57 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • RESOLUTION NO. 2006-81; DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Mayor Van Nostran advised that the proposed resolution would accept the canvass of votes from the November 7, 2006 election, prepared by the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-81; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN SAID CITY ON NOVEMBER 7, 2006, DECLARING THE RESULTS THEREOF, AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2006-81. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUELS

The Director of Finance gave a brief presentation based on the memo in the agenda and reported the vendor previously supplying fuel to the City had offered the opportunity to purchase fuel through April 10, 2007, by piggybacking on the formal bid for the City of Long Beach. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the purchase of unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel from S. C. Fuels.

3.1 • PURCHASE OF GASOLINE AND DIESEL FUELS - Continued

Mayor Van Nostran inquired about the cost savings realized through the piggybacking process. Mr. Schroeder responded by stating that not only would the City save several hundred dollars on the cost of the fuel, but save the time and expense of a formal bid process.

In response to a question from Council Member Croft, Mr. Schroeder stated that although the current contract between Long Beach and the fuel supplier ended in April of 2007, Lakewood would seek the opportunity to participate through the piggyback process in the next Long Beach contract.

Council Member Rogers asked about other piggyback opportunities. Mr. Schroeder stated that Lakewood had previously piggybacked on a Long Beach contract for water meters and is also able to piggyback with other agencies periodically.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF FUELS FROM S. C. FUELS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

At 7:59 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:02 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Van Nostran adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk