



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
March 28, 2000

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

INVOCATION was offered by Mr. Dan Roberts, First Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Campfire Duran Discovery and Swe-Lo-Cheetah Groups

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Wayne Piercy
Vice Mayor Robert Wagner
Council Member Joseph Esquivel
Council Member Marc Titel
Council Member Larry Van Nostran

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Bob Ungs, representing the Long Beach Area Campfire Boys & Girls, informed the City Council that Campfire was celebrating its 75th birthday in the Long Beach Area and the girls in attendance presented the Mayor with a cake. Mr. Ungs stated that the purpose behind Campfire was to build caring, confident youth and future leaders.

Mayor Piercy announced that an item of business had come up subsequent to the posting of the agenda which required the immediate attention and action of the City Council.

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO FIND THE ITEM WAS OF AN URGENT NATURE AND TO ADD IT TO THE REPORTS SECTION OF THE AGENDA. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

Renee DeLong Chomiak, Executive Director of Su Casa Family Crisis and Support Center, gave a brief presentation on the history and mission of Su Casa. The program was begun by a local woman in 1976 to assist domestic violence victims. The program now offered an emergency shelter site, 24-hour hotline, counseling groups, and transitional housing. She noted that over the last two years they had been focused on a teen outreach program as a preventive measure. She concluded by stating they appreciated the support of the City, several local service groups and over 400 volunteers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS: Continued

Council Member Esquivel noted that the annual Su Casa Walk-a-thon, a major fund raising event for the organization, was going to be held on Saturday, April 8th.

Mayor Piercy noted that the City of Lakewood's countdown to its 50th anniversary officially began this month. 50 years ago this month, three men with an extraordinary vision began planning a new residential development that would one day become the City of Lakewood. Within the next four years, Mark Taper, Ben Weingart and Louis Boyar had become the builders of the largest residential development in the nation.

Community Development Director Chuck Ebner reported that to date, Lakewood's response rate to the U.S. Census questionnaires was 59%, compared to a national response rate of only 44%. He encouraged everyone who had not responded to complete their forms and put them in the mail.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

Council Member Titel requested that Routine Item 1 be considered separately.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 2 THROUGH 10.

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated March 9, and March 16, 2000

RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2000-16; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD PROHIBITING THE PARKING OR STANDING OF VEHICLES BETWEEN 10 A.M. AND 3 P.M. ON TUESDAY OF EACH WEEK FOR STREET SWEEPING PURPOSES ON BOTH SIDES OF ELAINE AVENUE BETWEEN 207TH STREET AND 209TH STREET

RI-5 Approval of Agreement for Conversion of Microfilm Records

RI-6 Approval of Report of Investment Transactions

RI-7 Approval of Change Order for Public Works Contract No. 99-4, Game Court Replacement Project

RI-8 Approval of Consultant Agreement for Construction Management/Inspection Services with BDA Associates, Inc. for Various Public Works Projects

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-9 RESOLUTION NO. 2000-17; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR THE SIXTH CYCLE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE USED OIL RECYCLING FUND UNDER THE USED OIL RECYCLING ENHANCEMENT ACT FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT: EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AWARENESS, AND THE ENHANCEMENT OF EXISTING USED OIL COLLECTION SYSTEM

RI-10 RESOLUTION NO. 2000-18; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD SUPPORTING HYDROELECTRIC LICENSING IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN WATERPOWER: THE CLEAN ENERGY COALITION

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held March 14, 2000

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEM 1. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Titel

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 00-9, GARAGE FLOOR LIFT

The Director of Public Works, Lisa Rapp, presented an oral report based on her memorandum contained in the agenda packet and stated two bids had been received for the purchase and installation of a hydraulic floor lift for the Nixon Yard garage. The proposed lift would accommodate longer and heavier vehicles like the DASH buses. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council award the contract to the low bidder, Goltra Construction, in the amount of \$44,950; appropriate \$50,000 of Proposition A funds for the project; and authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders, not to exceed \$5,000.

Mayor Piercy opened the public hearing at 7:54 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 00-9, GARAGE FLOOR LIFT - Continued

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AWARD THE PROJECT. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASING BID 00-1, CATV STUDIO EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

The Director of Finance, Larry Schroeder, presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and stated bid packages had been distributed to three potential bidders, with one qualified response. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council award the CATV Studio Equipment Replacement contract to Premiere Professional Video in the amount of \$27,064.59.

Mayor Piercy opened the public hearing at 7:56 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.3 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 00-6, LOCAL PAVEMENT REHAB – STIP

The Public Works Director presented an oral report based on her memorandum contained in the agenda packet and reported four bids had been received for the Local Pavement Rehab Project, which would provide for resurfacing of about 9.5 miles of residential streets on the west side of the City. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council award the contract to Silvia Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,017,812.40; authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders, not to exceed \$50,000; and appropriate \$125,000 from the General Fund for the project.

Mayor Piercy opened the public hearing at 7:59 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

1.3 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 00-6, LOCAL PAVEMENT REHAB – STIP - Continued

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

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.4 • ADOPTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL CODES

City Attorney John S. Todd advised that the four proposed ordinances had previously been introduced and, as mandated by law, published notice had been given. He stated that the ordinances would adopt the County of Los Angeles codes by reference with certain sections of the Building Code being excepted upon the recommendation of the County Director of Public Works.

Mayor Piercy opened the public hearing at 8:01 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, IT WAS SO ORDERED.

ORDINANCE NO. 2000-1; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE VOLUMES 1 AND 2 OF THE 1999 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BUILDING CODE WHICH IN TURN ADOPTS BY REFERENCE PORTIONS OF THE 1998 EDITION OF THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE, KNOWN AS THE BUILDING CODE ALONG WITH AMENDMENTS THERETO was read by title by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2000-1. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ORDINANCE NO. 2000-2; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 1999 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PLUMBING CODE, BASED ON THE 1997 UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE ALONG WITH TITLE 28 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE was read by title by the City Clerk.

1.4 • ADOPTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING, ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING AND MECHANICAL CODES - Continued

COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL MOVED AND VICE MAYOR WAGNER SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2000-2. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ORDINANCE NO. 2000-3; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 1999 ELECTRICAL CODE WHICH IN TURN ADOPTS BY REFERENCE PORTIONS OF THE 1998 CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE AND TITLE 27 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE AS AMENDED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 99-0041, KNOWN AS THE ELECTRICAL CODE OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD was read by title by the City Clerk.

VICE MAYOR WAGNER MOVED AND MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2000-3. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ORDINANCE NO. 2000-4; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 1999 MECHANICAL CODE WHICH IN TURN ADOPTS BY REFERENCE PORTIONS OF THE 1998 CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE INCLUDING TITLE 29 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE ADOPTED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 99-0043, KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS THE MECHANICAL CODE OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD was read by title by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2000-4. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • COUNTY JURISDICTION AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT – CANDLEWOOD STREET AND DEL AMO BOULEVARD RESURFACING PROJECT

The Public Works Director presented an oral report based on her memorandum contained in the agenda packet and reported the County had agreed to provide design, bidding, award and construction management for a project to resurface Candlewood Street and Del Amo Boulevard from Clark Avenue to the westerly City limits. The project, estimated at \$1,420,000, would be completed using the City's Proposition C transit funds. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution granting jurisdiction to the County, during construction, for portions of Candlewood Street and Del Amo Boulevard; approve an agreement with the County for the project; and find the project to be of a minor nature and exempt from CEQA requirements.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-19; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD CONSENTING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PORTIONS OF CANDLEWOOD STREET AND DEL AMO BOULEVARD WITHIN SAID CITY AS PART OF THE SYSTEM OF HIGHWAYS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Council Member Titel noted that Candlewood Street and Del Amo Boulevard provided main entrances into the Lakewood Center Mall and requested that construction scheduling be sensitive to resident's needs to enter and exit the Mall. Ms. Rapp responded by stating that the project would be timed so that it was completed prior to the grand re-opening of the Mall with the new Mervyn's and Macy's stores.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2000-19. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.0 • URGENCY ITEM - APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS FOR CENTRE BALLROOM A/V LIGHTING PROJECT

The Director of Public Works presented an oral report based on her memorandum and stated two change orders were required to complete the Centre project. The first was to provide installation of audio and video cable between the ballroom and the downstairs cable studio; the second to provide for the installation of a City-leased, ceiling-mounted video projector. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve change orders No. 1 and No. 2, appropriate \$5,000 from the Community Facility Fund, and authorize a lease agreement for the projector in an amount not-to-exceed \$18,200.

3.0 • URGENCY ITEM - APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS FOR CENTRE BALLROOM A/V LIGHTING PROJECT - Continued

Council Member Van Nostran inquired about the choice of lease over purchase and Council Member Titel asked about the lease terms. Assistant City Administrator Michael Stover responded by stating that the logic for a lease/purchase, as opposed to outright purchase, was that since the equipment was for the benefit of groups patronizing the Centre, their rental fees for the use of the equipment would offset the monthly lease payments, providing a “pay-as-you-go” financing.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

At 8:15 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:17 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION:

Mayor Piercy announced that the City Council would recess to a closed session to confer with and receive advice from its legal counsel, pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(c), to decide whether to initiate litigation in one case.

At 10:27 p.m., the City Council reconvened with all members present.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND VICE MAYOR WAGNER SECONDED TO DEFER THE FINAL DECISION ON LITIGATION AT THIS TIME AND AUTHORIZE A 3-MONTH PILOT PROGRAM TO TEST THE PERCENTAGE OF WASTE DIVERSION AT A MRF FACILITY AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO LITIGATION, AND DESIGNATE GENERAL FUNDS FOR THE PROGRAM. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Piercy adjourned the meeting at 10:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk