



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
June 26, 2001

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

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Sam Wilder, West Lakewood Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Joseph Esquivel

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Wagner announced that the renovation of Monte Verde Park was nearing completion and would be reopening in July in time for the summer day camp program. He noted that in addition to the landscaped trails and improved overnight camping area, the park featured the all new 3,000 square foot, S. Mark Taper Foundation Vista Lodge.

The Mayor also announced that the annual Public Safety Expo would be held on Saturday, July 14th at Del Valle Park and that a new greenwaste recycling program would begin on Saturday, July 7th at Bloomfield Park.

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ROUTINE ITEMS:

Mayor Wagner stated that Routine Item 1 would be continued to a future meeting.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held June 12, 2001

COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 2 THROUGH 10.

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated June 7, and June 14, 2001

RI-4 Approval of Street Closures for Block Party Purposed on July 4th

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2001-46; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD PROHIBITING THE PARKING OR STANDING OF VEHICLES BETWEEN 7 A.M. AND 12 P.M. ON TUESDAY OF EACH WEEK FOR STREET SWEEPING PURPOSES ON BOTH SIDES OF 205TH STREET BETWEEN SYLVANWOOD AVENUE AND ROSETON AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-6 Approval of Monthly Investment Transactions Policy

RI-7 Approval of Extension of Agreement with Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office for Abatement Team

RI-8 RESOLUTION NO. 2001-47; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE WEST SIDE OF PIMENTA AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-48; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE WEST SIDE OF IROQUOIS AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-49; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE EAST SIDE OF HARVEST AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-50; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 97-99 ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE ON THE WEST SIDE OF HAWAIIAN AVENUE SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD SOUTH SERVICE ROAD WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-9 Approval of Amendment to the Agreement with Sage Institute, Inc.

RI-10 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 2001-4, Pedestrian Wheelchair Access Project; Kalban, Inc.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 00-5, STANDBY GENERATORS - THE CENTRE AND NIXON YARD *(Continued from June 12, 2001)*

The Director of Public Works, Lisa Rapp, gave a brief oral presentation based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and stated only one bid had been received for the installation of automatic standby generator units for the Centre and the Nixon Yard. She reported that staff had contacted the other contractors who had attended the pre-bid meeting and based on that feedback, was proposing to structure the re-bid so that the two installations could be awarded separately. She also noted, depending on the outcome of the re-bid, that staff would also evaluate if it was feasible and cost effective to complete the installation at the Nixon Yard using City staff. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council reject the bid submitted by American Electric Company and authorize staff to restructure the project plans and specifications and re-advertise the project.

Mayor Wagner opened the public hearing at 7:38 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

City Attorney John S. Todd advised that a public hearing had been held on the proposed ordinance at the last meeting on June 12, 2001. He stated that using the process authorized by State law, the ordinance would bring the compensation for City Council Members up to date. He concluded by advising that the provisions of the ordinance would not go into effect until after the next regular General Municipal Election in March of 2003.

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-4; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL was read by title by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2001-4. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL - Continued
COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY
SECONDED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2001-4. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE
MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel, Piercy, Van Nostran, Rogers and Wagner
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.2 • PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

The Director of Community Development, Chuck Ebner, displayed slides and gave a brief oral presentation based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet. He stated the Planning and Environment Commission had reviewed a proposed ordinance that would amend the Lakewood Municipal Code to improve property maintenance standards. The ordinance would provide clearer and stronger language that would enable more effective code enforcement against nuisances such as abandoned, destroyed or partially constructed building; unsightly and deficient exterior materials; lack of ground cover in yard areas; deteriorated and unsafe walls and fences; missing broken or deteriorated garage doors; deteriorated or missing driveways; unsightly storage of trash containers; and unsightly overgrown vegetation. He concluded by stating it was the recommendation of the Planning and Environment Commission that the City Council introduce the ordinance and schedule a public hearing for the meeting of July 10, 2001.

The City Attorney advised that providing more specific descriptions of unsightly property conditions would make the Municipal Code better able to withstand a court challenge.

Responding to a question from Mayor Wagner, Mr. Ebner stated that input on the ordinance provisions had been received from John Bax, the Deputy District Attorney who specifically handled code enforcement cases.

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-5; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO
UNSIGHTLY PROPERTY AND ITS ABATEMENT AS A NUISANCE

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY
SECONDED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2001-5. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE,
THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel, Piercy, Van Nostran, Rogers and Wagner
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • WATER SYSTEM ENERGY STUDY

The Director of Water Resources, Jim Glancy, displayed slides and gave a brief oral presentation based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet. He reported that an energy study had been performed in 1996 to determine methods to increase the energy efficiency of water operations. He noted that saving water saved energy since one third of the energy used by the City was utilized to pump water and move it through the pipe system. Staff was recommending that the City Council approve an agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$19,695 to update the 1996 study by evaluating potential energy conservation measures and the costs associated with each measure.

Responding to a question from Council Member Rogers, Mr. Glancy stated that it would not take long to recoup the cost of the study since very large increases were expected from Southern California Edison over the next several months.

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: Esquivel, Piercy, Van Nostran, Rogers and Wagner

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

At 7:56 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 7:59 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA NO. 2

Mayor Wagner announced that the Redevelopment Agency and the City Council would hold a joint public hearing at this time to consider the approval and adoption of Amendment No. 3 to the Redevelopment Plan for Lakewood Redevelopment Project Area No. 2.

Mayor Wagner opened the public hearing at 8:00 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council or Redevelopment Agency on this matter.

Community Development Director Chuck Ebner identified the documents submitted for the record. The materials included: the proposed Amendment No. 3 to the Redevelopment Plan for the Lakewood Redevelopment Project Area No. 2; report to the City Council on the proposed amendment; negative declaration for the amendment; affidavit of publication of the notice for the hearing in the *Long Beach Press Telegram*; and an affidavit of mailing by first class mail the notice of this public hearing to the last known assessee of each parcel of land in the project area, each residential address and each business address in the project area and to the taxing entities.

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA NO. 2 - Continued

Mr. Ebner presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and reported that the Redevelopment Plan for Project Area No. 2 was adopted in 1989 and subsequent amendments to State redevelopment law allowed the time limits to be extended by an additional five years. He introduced Jennifer Thornberry of GRC Associates who had helped prepare the amendment.

Mr. Ebner confirmed for Mayor Wagner that the only matter to be accomplished by the amendment was to extend the Plan time limits for an additional five years.

City Attorney John S. Todd inquired if any written comments or objections had been received. The City Clerk responded by stating that none had been received.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

BOARD MEMBER PIERCY MOVED AND BOARD MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. LRA 2001-16.

RESOLUTION NO. LRA 2001-16; A RESOLUTION OF THE LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CERTIFYING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA NO. 2 was read by title by Chairman Wagner.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: BOARD MEMBERS: Esquivel, Piercy, Van Nostran, Rogers and Wagner

NAYS: BOARD MEMBERS: None

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2001-51.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-51; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD CERTIFYING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA NO. 2 was read by title by Mayor Wagner.

JOINT PUBLIC HEARING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA NO. 2 - Continued
UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2001-52.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-52; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RULING ON WRITTEN AND ORAL OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA NO. 2 was read by title by Mayor Wagner.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-6; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE LAKEWOOD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA NO. 2 BY ADOPTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 3

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2001-6. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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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 Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk