



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
April 23, 2002

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

INVOCATION was offered by Council Member Wayne E. Piercy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Larry Van Nostran

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Van Nostran announced that Saturday would be Volunteer Day in Lakewood and asked Recreation and Community Services Director Dave Rodda to provide the details.

Mr. Rodda stated that Saturday would be the sixth annual Volunteer Day in Lakewood and that more than 600 people had signed up to assist in the 30 projects for the day which included minor home repairs, landscape work and park projects.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held March 26, and April 4, 2002

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated April 4, and April 11, 2002

RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2002-12; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF DEL HOLLOW STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

- RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2002-13; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF DEL HOLLOW STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

- RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2002-14; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A "NO PARKING, MONDAY TO FRIDAY, 7 A.M. TO 3 P.M., BUS LOADING" ZONE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF HARVEY WAY WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

- RI-6 Approval of Appointment to the Southeast Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Board

- RI-7 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions

- RI-8 Approval of Quarterly Schedule of Investments

- RI-9 Approval of Agreement for Engineering Services for Design of Electrical Panel Replacement at Palms, Mayfair & Bloomfield Parks and Emergency Generator Hookups for Water Well Sites

- RI-10 Approval of Extension of Agreement with Kermit Hathcoat for Loan Administration Services

- RI-11 Approval of Agreement with City of Downey for Reimbursement of Stormwater Grant Consulting Services Expenses

- RI-12 Authorization for Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Funding

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 02-4, CITY CABLE TV-HVAC MODERNIZATION

Director of Public Works Lisa Rapp gave a brief oral presentation based on the memorandum in the agenda packet and stated four bids had been received for the proposed upgrade to the existing heating, ventilating and air conditioning system which serves the cable television studio and control, editing and equipment rooms. The upgrade would allow areas not in use to be shut off, thus saving energy. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the plans, specifications and working details for the project; award a contract to Barr Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$46,054; and authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders not to exceed \$2,300.

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 02-4, CITY CABLE TV-HVAC MODERNIZATION - Continued

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:37 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • APPOINTMENT TO THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION

Mayor Van Nostran stated that he had a nominee to fill the vacancy on the Planning and Environment Commission. This Lakewood resident had 23 years of experience serving the community, beginning with the Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee, the Cable Television Commission and finally as a member of the City Council, with three terms as Mayor.

MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO APPOINT MARC TITEL TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2002-15.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-15; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPOINTING MARC TITEL TO THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION REPLACING KERRY FRANK

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE BEACON PROGRAM

The Public Works Director gave a brief oral presentation based on the memorandum in the agenda and reported that the BEACON (Balancing Economic And Clean Ocean Needs) program had been formed in response to actions by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board. The program, comprised of interested cities and the legal firm of Burke, Williams and Sorenson, would develop a plan that could be proven to improve water quality in a cost effective way. She concluded by stating that the proposed Joint Powers Agreement

3.1 • JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE BEACON PROGRAM - Continued
for BEACON would go into effect once ten public entities had signed the agreement. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the execution of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Implementation of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation's Balancing Economic and Clean Ocean Needs program and authorize the expenditure of \$5,000 for the initial membership fee.

Council Member Rogers inquired how many cities had made a commitment to the BEACON program. Ms. Rapp responded by stating that two had joined and five others were in the process.

COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY MOVED AND VICE MAYOR ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT FOR THE BEACON PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF \$5,000 FOR THE INITIAL MEMBERSHIP FEE. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.2 • RE-CONSIDERATION OF CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE/ORGANIZATIONAL APPOINTMENTS *[Continued from April 4, 2002]*

Council Member Wagner stated that when the City Council Committee and Organizational Appointments had been discussed at the March 26th meeting, he had made a request to postpone consideration of the item so that he could discuss certain concerns with the Mayor. When that request had not been granted, he had made a sub-motion requesting the item be continued and had been astonished when the motion failed. He said he presumed that the action had been taken in retribution for his opposition to certain portions of the fireworks ordinance revision. He stated that he felt the action made it clear that involvement in any organization or committee could be altered at any time on a whim or in retribution for some other item where he chose to go against the majority. He further stated that he would prevent the opportunity for such future action by withdrawing from the appointment process and removing himself from all committee and organizational appointments, with the exception of the School District Formation Ad Hoc Committee. He concluded by stating that he felt the Mayor had violated a long-term policy of the Council by politicizing this process and that it was not in the public interest.

Mayor Van Nostran noted he was disturbed by Council Member Wagner's interpretation of the action. He stated that the list of Council Committee and Organizational Appointments had been distributed to all City Council Members well in advance of the meeting, requesting their input and that all but Council Member Wagner had done their homework and returned the form with their comments and requests. He further stated that he had happened to encounter Council Member Wagner in City Hall before the meeting and upon mentioning the appointments, Council Member Wagner had raised only one concern which the Mayor had

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taken into consideration when deciding on the appointments. He remarked that while he felt it was unfortunate that Council Member Wagner felt he must withdraw from the appointment process, the other four Council Members were willing and able to take up the slack and cover all of the necessary appointments. He noted that the public was not served when all five Council Members could not work together as a body.

COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO RETURN CONSIDERATION OF THE COMMITTEE AND ORGANIZATIONAL APPOINTMENTS TO THE MAYOR'S OFFICE. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

At 7:52 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 7:55 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 7:57 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on May 7, 2002, in the City Council Chambers.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk