



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
March 22, 2005

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:39 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Monsignor Joseph Greeley, St. Pancratius Catholic Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Campfire "Po Bo Wa" Group

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Rogers announced that this would be the final Council Meeting for Vice Mayor Piercy and Council Member Wagner. He stated that Wayne and Bob should be honored as courageous leaders, dedicated City officials, and good men who had done their best to make this community a better place. He invited all those present to recognize Vice Mayor Wayne E. Piercy and Council Member Robert G. Wagner with a round of applause.

Vice Mayor Piercy complimented Mayor Rogers for a fine job during his year as mayor and congratulated him on his re-election to the City Council. He thanked the rest of the City Council for their harmonious and dedicated service to the residents of Lakewood. Noting that success is often achieved with the support of others, he acknowledged the City staff as the best possible, especially City Manager Howard Chambers and Executive Secretary Alma Varela. He also recognized the excellence of the dedicated staff of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station. He acknowledged his commission appointees, Recreation and Community Services Commissioner Kirk Real, Community Safety Commissioner Herb Axup, and Planning and Environment Commissioner Ron Wade. He stated that community support was what made the City great and advised that when he was out at community events, he was always hearing from residents about what a great community this was in which to live. He thanked his wife, Pat, for supporting him in all his efforts over the years. He concluded by stating he would be leaving the legacy of all that is Lakewood to the new City Council and watch them take it to new heights, while he could continue to support their efforts from the sidelines.

Council Member Wagner stated that he had been fortunate in both his careers, both as an aerospace engineer for the Aerospace Corporation and as a City Council Member. He stated that when looking for a first house to purchase, he and his wife had been fortunate to make their home in Lakewood. He stated that he felt Lakewood had the finest, professional staff in California and that he had been privileged to work with many other government professionals, such as Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe, and the Gonsalves' in

Sacramento. He noted that working with the State and Federal governments had made life on the City Council an interesting one. He stressed the importance of leadership and working together. He cited a few of the programs and experiences he was proud to have been associated with, such as: Neighborhood Watch; the Southeast Water Coalition and the LACDA Alliance; the acquisition of the Peerless Water System; the residential development of the Chevron Tank Farm site; and the dealing with the State Waste Management Board. He individually recognized each member of the executive management team and a number of support staff members by name. He stated that he was satisfied leaving at this point, content that he had made a difference. He concluded by thanking his wife, Michaelene, and his family for the sacrifices they had made over his 25 years of service.

MARCH 8, 2005 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION DECLARING RESULTS OF THE ELECTION

The City Clerk stated that the canvass of votes for the March 8, 2005, General Municipal Election had been completed. She reported that 6,576 ballots had been cast, and that the successful candidates were Todd Rogers, Diane DuBois and Steve Croft. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2005-2, declaring the election results.

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2005-2, DECLARING RESULTS OF THE ELECTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-2; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN SAID CITY ON MARCH 8, 2005 DECLARING THE RESULTS THEREOF, AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Council Members-elect Todd Rogers, Diane DuBois and Steve Croft. Each Council Member signed the oath and was presented with a Certificate of Election.

Council Member Croft introduced his wife, Tess, daughter, Ana, and other members of his family in the audience. He expressed his thanks to retiring Council Members Piercy and Wagner, stating that each had brought strengths and talents to the City Council during their terms of service, and that they had set very high standards for all who would follow them. He stated he would continue the fight to keep Sacramento legislators from taking more money away from the City and for improvements in educational opportunities. He concluded by thanking the voters and stating he was honored to have the opportunity to serve.

MARCH 8, 2005 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - Continued

Council Member DuBois introduced her husband, Bruce, daughter, Judy, and other members of her family in the audience. She stated that she felt it was a tremendous honor to serve the residents of Lakewood and thanked the voters for providing her with that opportunity.

Mayor Rogers presented outgoing Council Members Piercy and Wagner with tokens of the City's appreciation.

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Rogers introduced his wife, Sally, his sons, Scott and Brett, and other family and friends in the audience. He noted that his year of service as the Mayor of Lakewood had been marked by the milestone retirements of City Attorney John Sanford Todd, whose "Lakewood Plan" for contract city government impacted not only Lakewood, but over 125 other cities in California and Council Members Piercy and Wagner, who had led the City through more than two decades of growth and change. He welcomed new Council Members Croft and DuBois and stated that he felt they were up to the challenges ahead. He remarked on a few of the highlights of the past year, such as the Civic Center Block Party in July, the naming of Lakewood as one of Sports Illustrated magazine's "Sportstown USA"; the dedication of the community artwork called "Pillars of Community"; improvements at Del Valle Park and the first phase of improvements at Boyar Park; left-turn phasing at two key intersections; the development of new businesses along "restaurant row" and Cherry Avenue "auto row"; and the securing of funding for the expansion and modernization of the Sheriff's Station. He expressed his continuing commitment to Lakewood schools and education. Mayor Rogers stated he had been honored to serve as the mayor while the City remembered the heroic events of fifty years ago. He thanked the other Members of the Council for their support and the support of the City staff, led by City Manager Howard Chambers. He concluded by thanking the residents of Lakewood for giving him the opportunity, four years ago, to serve as a Member of the City Council and promised never to take the public's trust for granted. He also thanked his family for supporting him in his bid to serve another term.

Mayor Rogers announced that nominations would be taken for the office of Mayor for 2005-2006.

ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR

Council Member Van Nostran stated it was his great pleasure to nominate Joe Esquivel for the Office of Mayor. He noted that Joe was considered by many to be the City's ambassador for his attendance and participation in many community events and organizations, such as the volunteer coaching program; the Lakewood Rotary Club; Project Shepherd, where he served as Chairman; and the California Contract Cities Association, which Joe had served a term as President. He concluded by stating that Joe was a hard worker and dedicated to Lakewood's core values.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND MAYOR ROGERS SECONDED TO NOMINATE JOE ESQUIVEL TO SERVE AS MAYOR. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, JOE ESQUIVEL WAS DECLARED MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION.

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL - Continued

Mayor Esquivel presented outgoing Mayor Rogers with a plaque and scrapbook commemorating his year of service as Mayor. Mayor Esquivel also presented Mrs. Sally Rogers with a bouquet of flowers in recognition of her support for her husband and the many demands made on their time during his year as mayor.

Mayor Esquivel welcomed new Council Members Croft and DuBois and stated he looked forward to working with them as a united city council. He stated he was confident and optimistic about the future of the City and proud of all that had been and would be accomplished. He expressed his gratitude to his wife, Pat, and thanked his family for their support. He stated that the coming year would be a time to continue to build upon the values and traditions that had made Lakewood a place of pride and respect.

Council Member Rogers nominated Larry Van Nostran for the position of Vice Mayor. He characterized Larry as a fighter, a conciliator, and a proven leader. He noted a few of Larry's community services such as the founder of the Lakewood Youth Hall of Fame and President of the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND MAYOR ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO NOMINATE LARRY VAN NOSTRAN TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, LARRY VAN NOSTRAN WAS DECLARED VICE MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

Mayor Esquivel announced that Routine 1 would be considered separately.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 2 THROUGH 7.

- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated February 10, February 17, February 24, March 3, and March 10, 2005
- RI-4 Approval of Amendment to the Video Distribution Agreement with Intermedia, Inc.
- RI-5 Approval of Agreement with Reedcorp for Electrical Engineering Services
- RI-6 Approval of Agreement for Engineering Services, Design of Pavement Rehabilitation
- RI-7 **RESOLUTION NO. 2005-3; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD REQUESTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DEFER ACTION ON ADJUSTING THE OVERHEAD RATES CHARGED CONTRACT CITIES FOR SHERIFF'S SERVICES UNTIL A DELIBERATIVE PROCESS IS COMPLETED**

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held February 8, February 22, and March 8, 2005

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

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Rogers and Esquivel

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Croft and DuBois

2.1 • ADOPTION OF SIGNATURE RESOLUTIONS

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO. 2005-4 THROUGH NO. 2005-7.

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-4; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO DEPOSIT FUNDS FOR SAFEKEEPING AND INVESTMENT AND AUTHORIZING WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS FROM DEPOSITORIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-5; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF JOSEPH ESQUIVEL, MAYOR, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-6; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF L.H. VAN NOSTRAN, MAYOR PRO TEM, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR SKY KNIGHT HELICOPTER PROGRAM

Deputy City Manager Sandi Ruyle gave an oral presentation based on the memo contained in the agenda and reported the maintenance contractor for the City's Sky Knight helicopter patrol program had informed the City that they would no longer be able to provide service at their Long Beach location and wished to be released from their agreement by the end of April, 2005. A Request For Proposals document had been distributed to qualified providers and three proposals had been received. Following staff review of the proposals submitted, STEAM Aircraft, Inc. of Fullerton was found to most closely meet the needs of the City. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council execute an agreement for Helicopter Maintenance with STEAM Aircraft, Inc., for a period beginning April 15, 2005, through June 30, 2007.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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At 8:40 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:43 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

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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 Esquivel adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk

City of Lakewood CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF CANVASS

I, Denise R. Hayward, City Clerk of the City of Lakewood, County of Los Angeles, State of California, do hereby certify that I have canvassed the returns of the regular municipal election held in said City on the 8th day of March, 2005, and find that the number of votes given at each precinct and the number of votes given in the City to persons voted for the Office of Member of the City Council for which said persons were candidates were as follows:

County Precincts	(1,30,31,32)	(3,7,8,12)	(4,9,10)	(13,15,16,85)	(19,23,27,28,82)	(20,21,25)	(34,35,37,38,112)	(40,45,46,48)	(42,43,50)	(52,55,64,66)
Lakewood Precincts	PCT # 1	PCT # 3	PCT # 4	PCT # 13	PCT # 19	PCT # 20	PCT # 34	PCT # 40	PCT # 42	PCT # 52
Registered Voters	2987	3029	2488	2747	3470	2487	3301	3326	2280	2707
Voter turnout	10%	9%	9%	7%	13%	8%	9%	9%	13%	9%
Ballots cast	305	271	229	196	454	209	312	303	286	245
Garland C. Jamison, Jr.	13	17	30	19	22	17	16	12	8	9
Todd Rogers	248	199	164	144	323	147	253	254	249	200
Geoffrey E. Vaughn	57	61	39	37	120	51	38	47	27	45
Marty Schuster	69	89	71	61	182	81	108	121	107	101
Diane DuBois	138	154	123	127	283	101	168	174	180	113
Steve Croft	207	106	109	87	181	88	187	145	131	117
Frederick R. Baisley	26	19	17	12	19	20	13	9	9	14
Margherita Palumbo Underhill	79	87	68	55	77	51	71	62	60	45
Total Votes	837	732	621	542	1207	556	854	824	771	644

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Percentage of total voter turnout includes absentee ballots cast.

County Precincts (53,54,62) (57,59) (60,67,69) (70,72,91) (73,75,76,80,92) (79,90,2)

Lakewood Precincts	PCT # 53	PCT # 57	PCT # 60	PCT # 70	PCT # 73	PCT # 79	Absent Voters	Late AV & Provisional	TOTALS
Registered Voters	2344	1390	2157	2268	3603	2136			42720
Voter turnout	9%	11%	10%	5%	5%	5%			15%
Ballots cast	222	155	221	114	175	110	2627	142	6576
Garland C. Jamison, Jr.	14	11	7	14	17	9	111	8	354
Todd Rogers	170	101	173	66	112	66	1986	98	4953
Geoffrey E. Vaughn	34	41	25	34	39	36	656	34	1424
Marty Schuster	98	82	95	40	52	31	1056	46	2490
Diane DuBois	107	56	146	55	92	56	1418	73	3564
Steve Croft	102	50	97	43	77	33	1026	66	2852
Frederick R. Baisley	14	14	11	10	13	8	160	14	402
Margherita Palumbo Underhill	44	48	41	42	54	34	584	38	1540
Total Votes	583	403	595	304	456	273	6997	377	17576

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Dated: March 22, 2005

Denise R. Hayward, City Clerk

Exhibit "A"