



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Adjourned Regular Meeting held
May 9, 2005

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:30 a.m. by Mayor Esquivel in the Executive Board Room at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

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

SHERIFF'S STATION EXPANSION

The group expressed appreciation for Supervisor Knabe's support of the expansion and renovation project for the Lakewood Sheriff's Station.

SHERIFF'S CONTRACT COSTS

The Council noted that Rick Mouwen of Contract Law was proceeding with an announcement that Sheriff's contract rates would move forward as published by the Auditor-Controller. This would not include Auditor's recommendations for increased cost allocations. Those increases would occur at some "future" date as authorized by the Board of Supervisors. FY 05-06 control rates would increase approximately 5.81%. The Auditor's Phase I Report identified \$10 million that the Board could consider charging the 40 contract cities. The estimated cost was 5.6% above the proposed increase.

City officials noted that the Auditor should pull his report and recommendations and gather information from the Sheriff's Department and from individual cities showing the range of local contributions to law enforcement operations countywide.

9-1-1 AMBULANCE SERVICE PROVIDER

The group discussed the fact that the L.A. County Health Services Department had recommended that CARE Ambulance replace Lakewood's current provider, American Medical Response (AMR) for 9-1-1 emergency services.

AMR had filed their third & final protest of the recommendation.

PARAMOUNT BOULEVARD PROJECT

The City expressed appreciation for the Supervisor's commitment to the Paramount Boulevard Project.

WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT WATER STORAGE

The Council briefed Supervisor Knabe on the fact that the Water Replenishment District (WRD) intended to implement "Interim Storage Rules" by ordinance over the objections of many cities and local groundwater producers who believed WRD was exceeding its legal authority and posed significant risk to cities and ratepayers.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Esquivel adjourned the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk

Recorded by:

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