



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
April 22, 2008

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:43 p.m. by Mayor Croft 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 Steve Croft
Vice Mayor Todd Rogers
Council Member Diane DuBois
Council Member Joseph Esquivel
Council Member Larry Van Nostran

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Croft announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of former Mayor and Council Member Jacqueline Rynerson and Ray Knabe, father of Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe.

A video tribute to Jacqueline Rynerson was shown and individual Council Members shared their memories of Jackie. She was remembered not only for her many accomplishments and profound effect on the quality of life in the community during her terms on the City Council, but as a gracious and elegant lady whose intelligence and ability to listen drew people to her for her advice and opinions.

Julie Rynerson Rock stated the family appreciated the opportunity to celebrate her mother's life. She stated that this community had been in her mother's heart and it was good to see that she was in the community's heart as well.

Steve Remige, President of Association for Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs (ALADS), presented the City with a plaque in recognition for ongoing support of the Sheriff's Department and its deputies.

Mayor Croft noted that City staff had met with representatives from Southern California Edison Company regarding the "monster" pole on Palo Verde Avenue at Centralia Street. He stated that Edison engineers were completing a survey of alternatives and that the City had been added to the existing Public Utilities Commission complaint as an interested party.

At 8:21 p.m., Mayor Croft called for a recess. At 8:27 p.m. the meeting was reconvened.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held April 8, 2008
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Meeting Reports and Authorizations Pursuant to AB1234
- RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2008-11; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING THE REALLOCATION OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE MAE BOYAR PARK BUILDING PROJECT TO THE DEL VALLE PARK PICNIC SHELTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT
- RI-6 Approval of Request of American Cancer Society for Temporary Overnight Civic Center Parking
- RI-7 Approval of Amendment to Agreement with AESCO Technologies
- RI-8 Approval of Amendment to Agreement with Meyer & Associates for Bloomfield Park Teen Resource Center
- RI-9 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions
- RI-10 Approval of Quarterly Schedule of Investments
- RI-11 RESOLUTION NO. 2008-12; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING A POLICY OPPOSING PROPOSITION 98
- RI-12 Approval of Cooperative Agreement with the County of Los Angeles for the Paramount Boulevard Resurfacing Project
- RI-13 RESOLUTION NO. 2008-13; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE WEST SIDE OF COLDBROOK AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD
- RI-14 Approval of Waiver of Liquidated Damages, Public Works Project No. 07-6, Bloomfield Park Teen Resource Center Renovation

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 08-2, PROP 1B & CDBG RESIDENTIAL STREET REHAB

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp displayed slides and gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She reported that the City had been getting great wear from the rubberized asphalt being used in street paving and that the next major street scheduled for paving was Paramount Boulevard, with Bloomfield to follow once the underground work had been completed by Southern California Edison. She noted that 143 miles of residential street paving had been completed to date. She stated that eight bids had been received for a project to resurface about 10 miles of residential streets. She reported that the project had been bid with an add alternative that would allow the City to issue a change order for additional work when Community Development Block Grant funding became available later in the year. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications and working details for PW Project No. 08-02; award a contract for the project to Silvia Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,183,407; and authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of contract change orders, as needed, not to exceed \$100,000.

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 8:37 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

Mayor Croft noted that he had attended a meeting of the Pavement Preservation group where Lakewood was to receive a special award for its paving program. He stated that he had observed Lakewood to be the envy of many for what the City had been able to accomplish.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE SALE, DISCHARGE, USE OR POSSESSION OF ILLEGAL FIREWORKS

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-1; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING SECTION 3105 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE SALE, DISCHARGE, USE OR POSSESSION OF ILLEGAL FIREWORKS was read by title by the City Clerk.

2.1 • AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE SALE, DISCHARGE, USE OR POSSESSION OF ILLEGAL FIREWORKS - Continued

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2008-1. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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3.1 • OUTSOURCED PRINTING CONTRACT FOR UTILITY BILLING SYSTEM

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated the current process used for the City's utility billing was labor-intensive and utilized aging equipment. She advised that after researching the matter, she found that significant cost savings could be realized through outsourcing the function. In addition to reduced costs, additional services could be made available to residents, such as online statement viewing and bill payment. Following a check of references and background information, staff was recommending DataProse Billing Solutions. She concluded by stating that the City was eligible to piggy-back on the recent, competitive bid put out by the City of Orange for DataProse prices. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council enter into an agreement with DataProse.

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

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

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 8:41 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 Croft adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m. to Tuesday, May 6, 2008 at 7:30 a.m. in the Executive Board Room.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Jacqueline Rynerson and Ray Knabe.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk