



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Special Regular Meeting held
May 12, 2009

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Executive Board Room at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

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

AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF LONG BEACH FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ADAPTIVE TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM

Assistant Director of Public Works Max Withrow stated a proposal had been received from the City of Long Beach for a multi-agency project traffic control system that would regulate traffic on the eight major traffic corridors leading to the Boeing project site. He noted that although Long Beach would be the lead agency, Lakewood would still have sole control and management over its own traffic signals.

Dave Roseman, City Traffic Engineer for the City of Long Beach, displayed slides outlining the operational aspects of the proposed Advanced Traffic Control System, which, as part of Boeing's Douglas Park Project, would be funded by Boeing. The proposed system would be computer controlled to monitor and respond to traffic congestion, and to enable coordinated responses to incidents and special events. Lakewood would have monitoring capability through an on-site workstation connected to the 14 signalized intersections and two cameras in the City. The City of Long Beach would have overall system control, with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works providing control services for Lakewood.

Responding to a question from Mayor Rogers, Mr. Roseman stated that the cameras would have 360° pan capability but would not be set up to record.

Council Member Van Nostran determined from Mr. Roseman that the control stations located at Long Beach and County Public Works would have an alarm system to alert staff that human intervention was needed. Mr. Roseman also noted that in the event of a system-wide failure, all of the individual intersection traffic signals would continue to operate by defaulting to their internal programming.

Responding to a question from City Manager Howard Chambers, Alek Hovsepian, Senior Transportation Systems Engineer for Iteris Company, a consultant to the Boeing Corp., stated that the location of the proposed message signs had been selected so that motorists entering the area around the project would have ample time to alter their route in the event of traffic congestion.

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Mr. Roseman noted that the proposed system would be the first inter-agency project of its type in the nation. He stated that construction was scheduled to begin in August or September of this year and would take approximately six months to complete.

The Assistant Director of Public Works stated that it was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve an agreement with the City of Long Beach for construction of the Advanced Traffic Control System and enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Long Beach created to reflect the operational rules to be used once the System is operational.

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

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft, Esquivel and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk