



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
October 13, 2015

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

INVOCATION was offered by Dr. John C. Bonner, Chaplain Emeritus to the City Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Boy Scout Troop 140

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Wood
Vice Mayor Ron Piazza
Council Member Steve Croft
Council Member Diane DuBois
Council Member Todd Rogers

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Wood announced that the upcoming Lollipop Lane craft boutique at Mayfair Park and the Lakewood Shreds event at the parking lot behind City Hall would be held on Saturday, October 17th. He also announced that anyone interested in serving on the Civil Grand Jury for the Los Angeles County Superior Court should contact the Public Information Office at City Hall for details.

Council Member Rogers commented on the success of the recent Lakewood Education Foundation golf tournament. He thanked the City Council, the community and staff for supporting the event, noting that the money raised would provide grants to teachers in Lakewood schools.

Valarie Frost, Lakewood Rotary Club President, made a presentation regarding the annual Project Shepherd program, stating that the program was in its 43rd year of providing assistance to Lakewood families in need over the holiday season. She extended an invitation for the City to continue to be a co-sponsor for the program and for the Mayor to serve as honorary chairman. Mayor Wood stated that he would be honored to serve.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

Vice Mayor Piazza requested that Routine Item 1 be considered separately.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 2 THROUGH 7.

ROUTINE ITEMS: - Continued

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Approval of Street Closure for October 31st Block Party

RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-61; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE WEST SIDE OF COLDBROOK AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-62; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RESCINDING RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACES WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-6 Approval of Agreement with Disability Access Consultants (DAC) for Services and Software

RI-7 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-63; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE "GATEWAY CITIES ENERGY LEADER PARTNERSHIP," AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM AMONG SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CITIES AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Piazza, Croft and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held September 22, 2015

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

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Croft and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Piazza

1.1 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2015-8; AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO AMENDMENT PROCEDURES

Sonia Southwell, Director of Community Development, made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated that the proposed ordinance would remove some unnecessary procedures in the Municipal Code while remaining in conformance with State law requirements and would streamline the ordinance preparation procedure.

Mayor Wood opened the public hearing at 7:44 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-8; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD REPEALING PART 11 OF CHAPTER 3 OF ARTICLE IX OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT PROCEDURES FOR ZONING RELATED APPLICATIONS was read by title by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIAZZA SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2015-8. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Piazza, Croft and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • PURCHASE OF PLAY EQUIPMENT AND SURFACING FOR DEL VALLE PARK

Based on the report in the agenda, Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin stated that the design concept for the Del Valle Park Veteran's Memorial Plaza required the removal of the playground equipment, which had reached its end of life and advised that as a member of the National Joint Powers Alliance, Lakewood could purchase new play equipment and surfacing through an existing purchasing cooperative contract.

Recreation and Community Services Director Lisa Litzinger displayed slides and made a presentation on the proposed playground improvements. She reported that the new equipment would be ADA accessible and reviewed the concept for the new playground, which continued the airplane theme and consisted of custom pieces including a new airplane, spring riders, swings and control tower with climbing structure and zipline features.

Council Member Rogers commended staff for their innovation and imagination noting that as Chairman of the Park Development Committee, it had been their intent that the design of the playground complement the Memorial Plaza.

Ms. Litzinger responded to Vice Mayor Piazza's inquiry by stating that completion of the playground had been anticipated for late Spring, which would allow for the construction of the custom pieces and potential weather delays.

1.2 • PURCHASE OF PLAY EQUIPMENT AND SURFACING FOR DEL VALLE PARK - Continued

Ms. Perkin concluded the presentation by stating that staff recommended that the City Council approve the purchase and installation of play equipment and surfacing at Del Valle Park at the contract price of \$399,301 from Little Tikes Commercial/Playpower and approve the completion of a playground safety audit and the purchase of playground sand, a playground entry sign, and site furnishings for the new play space for an estimated total cost of \$26,100.

Mayor Wood opened the public hearing at 7:55 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Piazza, Croft and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • RESOLUTION NO. 2015-64; INTENTION TO VACATE PORTION OF ALLEY NORTH OF 207TH STREET BETWEEN ARLINE AVENUE AND SEINE AVENUE

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and reported that the owner of the property at 11864 206th Street had requested that the alley adjacent to their property be vacated. She advised that if the City should find that the alley was not needed for the general public to travel upon, or for the City to operate and maintain it, or for utilities to place their facilities within it no longer exists, the alley may be vacated. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution to declare its intent to vacate the alley and set a public hearing on the matter for November 17, 2015.

Vice Mayor Piazza determined from Ms. Rapp that should the portion requested by the owner were vacated, the remaining portion would continue to be used as a public alley.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-64; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO VACATE A 20 FOOT BY 40 FOOT SECTION OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY NORTH OF 207TH STREET, BETWEEN ARLINE AVENUE AND SEINE AVENUE AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED VACATION

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2015-64. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Piazza, Croft and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY ACTIONS

1. Approval of Register of Demands

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Piazza, Croft and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Craig Chambers, Lakewood, addressed the City Council regarding nylon advertising banners.

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CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

At 8:08 p.m., Mayor Wood announced that the City Council would recess to a closed session pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1) to consider the initiation of litigation in one case.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Wood adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk