



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
January 23, 2018

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor DuBois in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by High Councilor Lary Carlton, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Cub Scout Pack 134

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor DuBois presented a proclamation to retiring ABC Unified School District Board Member Lynda Johnson, who served as the Board's liaison to the City. The Mayor expressed appreciation for Ms. Johnson's time spent in the community, getting to know residents, business community members, and the City Council. Ms. Johnson stated she had been honored and humbled to serve the parents and students of Lakewood and had been a graduate of Artesia High School herself. She expressed gratitude to the City Council for their support of education and stated that she looked forward to continuing her service to the City as a field deputy for Supervisor Janice Hahn.

Mayor DuBois introduced the new Field Representative for Assembly Member Anthony Rendon, Aaron Vad, who provided information on two upcoming events to be held in Lakewood - the Neighborhood Coffee on February 9, at Javatinis Espresso and the Child Car Seat Safety Check on February 10th in the parking area behind The Centre.

The Mayor announced that Captain Jim Wolak, Commander of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station would be introducing Lakewood's Special Assignment Officer (or SAO Team) and also providing a public safety update.

Captain Wolak stated that Lakewood remained a very safe city crediting the SAO team as well as the City Council for providing cutting edge law enforcement resources. He explained that at the State of the City event, he would report on some of the successful programs which had been implemented. He briefly discussed some of the goals for 2018, which included reducing crime and making the streets safer for Lakewood motorists; improving the quality of life issues for residents; continuing to integrate technology; and strengthening communications.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS: - Continued

He introduced the team members in attendance: Lieutenant Scott Hogle, Sergeant Sean O'Donoghue, Sergeant Joseph Salehpour, Detective Theo Gekas, Deputy Osvaldo Santa Ana, Deputy Derek DeKruyf, Deputy Antonio Chavez, Deputy Kevin Fujiwara and Deputy Justin Calcote.

Mayor DuBois welcomed Jose Gomez, who was in attendance and would be joining the Lakewood staff as the Director of Administrative Services in the next week.

Council Member Wood announced that the 37th annual Lakewood Youth Hall of Fame would be held on February 26 and that information regarding the event could be found on the City's website. He also expressed appreciation to Lynda Johnson for her choice to serve Lakewood as the City's liaison and for being a tireless champion for its students in the District.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

VICE MAYOR CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held December 12, 2017, and January 9, 2018
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions
- RI-5 Approval of Quarterly Schedule of Investments
- RI-6 Settlement of Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF) Litigation with Long Beach Unified School District
- RI-7 Approval of Permit for Street Closure for January 27th Block Party
- RI-8 Approval of Appointment of City Manager to the Oversight Board for the Successor Agency to the Former Lakewood Redevelopment Agency

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • ANNUAL REVIEW OF CITY INVESTMENT POLICY

Lovenel Reveldez, Assistant Director of Administrative Services, gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and explained that Lakewood's investment policy was reviewed and approved by the City Council annually, as required by law. The City's investment objectives continued to be safety, liquidity and yield in the investment of public funds. The City's investment portfolio included deposits in Local Agency Investment Fund, a statewide pooled account, as well as investments in bonds, notes, certificates of deposit and commercial paper which were managed by Public Financial Management (PFM).

Paulina Woo, Director of Public Financial Management, displayed slides and provided a brief presentation of the City's investment portfolio, which included market update, investment program highlights and earnings analysis.

Council Member Rogers and Council Member Piazza expressed appreciation for the presentation and affirmed the City's intentions of safety, security and economic stability, which resulted in sound fiscal policy and ample reserves.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED INVESTMENT POLICY AND CONTINUE THE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES OF PFM. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.2 • ESTABLISHMENT OF AUDIT COMMITTEE

City Manager Thaddeus McCormack explained that at its last meeting, the City Council had taken action to create an audit committee and that it was recommended that the Mayor appoint two Council Members to the committee.

Mayor DuBois requested approval to appoint Vice Mayor Croft and Council Member Piazza to serve on the audit committee.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR CROFT SECONDED TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENTS OF VICE MAYOR CROFT AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

Mayor DuBois expressed appreciation to Josh Castellanos, former President of the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, who was present in the audience. Council Member Wood recognized the interim Chamber President, Mark Dameron, who was also in the audience.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY ACTIONS

1. Approval of Registers of Demands

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTERS OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2. Settlement of Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund (ERAF) Litigation with Long Beach Unified School District

Steve Skolnik, Office of the City Attorney, stated that this item was related to RI-6, which had been approved under routine items.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3. Approval of Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for July 1, 2018 Through June 30, 2019 - ROPS 18-19

The Assistant Director of Administrative Services gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and reported that the Successor Agency was required to submit an Annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to the county auditor controller and Department of Finance (DOF) by no later than February 1st. The Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) 18-19 included the retirement of Project Area No 1 Tax Allocation Parity Refunding Bonds 1999A Series, 2003A and 2003B Series; retirement of the Owner Participation Agreement between the former Lakewood Redevelopment Agency (LRA) and Pacific Retail Trust (former Macerich); the loan agreements between the LRA and the low and moderate income housing fund which would be available for repayment in FY18-19; loan agreements entered into between the LRA and the City which would be deemed to be enforceable and recalculated at three percent upon issue of finding of completion by the DOF and approval of the oversight board; and per DOF letter dated December 17, 2015, the DOF approval of the unfunded pension obligation which stated that calculations be based on the dissolution year 2012 and not 2013 as originally requested by the Agency.

3. Approval of Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for July 1, 2018 Through June 30, 2019 - ROPS 18-19 - Continued

COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA MOVED AND VICE MAYOR CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATIONS PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR JULY 1, 2018 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019 – ROPS 18-19. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS

1. Approval of Registers of Demands

VICE MAYOR CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTERS OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor DuBois adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m. to Tuesday, February 13, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk