



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
April 13, 2010

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

INVOCATION was offered by Bishop Jerry Fisher, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Todd Rogers

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Council Member Croft extended congratulations to Sonia Southwell on her appointment to the position of Director of Community Development.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held March 9, and March 23, 2010

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Authorization of Sole Source Purchase for Portable Aluminum Bleachers

RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2010-13; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF YEARLING STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-6 Approval of Agreement with Diehl, Evans and Company for Audit Services

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 09-8, TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS AND FIRE STATION PREEMPT

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp made a presentation based on her memo in the agenda and reported that eight bids had been received for a project to modify traffic signals at the intersections of Woodruff Avenue and Harvey Way, at Candlewood Street and Graywood Avenue, and install a traffic signal pre-emption for the Fire Station 45 on Candlewood Street west of Lakewood Boulevard to improve their ability to quickly exit the Station. She stated that 65 percent of the work would be completed with grant funding for truck-impacted intersections through the Gateway Cities COG and the remaining funds would come from the City's Proposition C funds. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications and working details for Public Works Project No. 09-08; award a contract to Christopher R. Morales, Inc. in the amount of \$179,935; authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of contract change orders, as needed, not to exceed \$25,000; and to appropriate \$18,000 for the General Fund for the Fire Station portion of the project.

Responding to a question from Council Member Rogers, Ms. Rapp stated that this was the first of three separate Public Works projects for traffic signal improvements that had been identified through the development of the Traffic Signal Master Plan, approved by the City Council in 2009. She advised that this project had been ready for bid first, as these grant funding requirements were less complex than the funding sources for the other two projects.

Council Member Van Nostran inquired about changes to the Woodruff Avenue and Harvey Way intersection in light of the new businesses going in on Woodruff. Ms. Rapp stated that the upgrade planned for that intersection was for the installation of new, longer mast arms to improve visibility for the left-turn phasing for north/south traffic.

Council Member Croft inquired about the regional upgrades to traffic signalization as part of the Douglas Park project. Ms. Rapp replied by stating that those planned upgrades, such as the hard-wired signal interconnect along Del Amo Boulevard, had been considered during the planning phase in order to maximize available funding.

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

**1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 09-8, TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS AND FIRE STATION PREEMPT - Continued
UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:**

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASING BID 10-10, JOHN DEERE 2720 TRACTOR AND ATTACHMENTS

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin gave a report based on the memo in the agenda and stated two bids had been received for the purchase of a John Deere model 2720 tractor, with attachments, to be used primarily by the Environmental Resources Division for the installation and repair of irrigation lines. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the purchase of the tractor and attachments from the low bidder, Eberhard Equipment, in the amount of \$36,107.75

Responding to a question from Council Member DuBois, Ms. Perkin stated that the Purchasing Officer had advertised the bids for this equipment, and that although bid packages had been distributed to other bidders, there had only been two companies who submitted bids.

Ms. Perkin responded to a question from Council Member Croft by stating that the additional attachments would allow this vehicle to be a multi-purpose piece of equipment that could be utilized by other departments for smaller jobs throughout the City.

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 7:51 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.3 • VACATION OF THE ALLEY WEST OF DEEBOYAR AVENUE NORTH OF CARSON STREET

The Director of Public Works made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated a request had been received from the owner of an apartment complex at 4101-4131 Deeboyar Avenue to vacate the alley, which would allow the area to be fenced and gated to improve security. Pursuant to State law, the City would need to declare that the location was

1.3 • VACATION OF THE ALLEY WEST OF DEEBOYAR AVENUE NORTH OF CARSON STREET - Continued

no longer needed as a travelled street or alley. She reported that as established by the resolution adopted by the City Council on March 9, 2010, notice of this hearing had been provided through publication and posting, with no inquiries or objections being received. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution ordering the vacation of the alley west of Deeboyar Avenue north of Carson Street, direct the City Clerk to have the fully executed resolution recorded by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder, and direct staff to provide copies of the resolution to the County Assessor and all affected utilities.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-14; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD VACATING THE ALLEY WEST OF DEEBOYAR AVENUE NORTH OF CARSON STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, AND AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN SAID RESOLUTION, AND SHOWN ON MAP ATTACHED HERETO

Council Member Croft determined from Ms. Rapp that once vacated, the property owner would assume full responsibility for maintenance of the alley.

Council Member Van Nostran inquired about requirements for the ongoing condition of the property. Ms. Rapp responded by stating that the vacation would allow the property owner to fence in the area and treat the area as a private driveway, but would still be subject to City regulations pertaining to property maintenance and could therefore be subject to code enforcement action if poorly maintained.

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 7:57 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION NO. 2010-14. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • TRANSFER OF LAKEWOOD HOUSING AUTHORITY VOUCHER PROGRAM

City Attorney Steve Skolnik recommended that this item be carried over to the next City Council meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO CONTINUE CONSIDERATION OF THE VOUCHER PROGRAM TRANSFER TO THE MEETING OF APRIL 20, 2010.

**2.1 • TRANSFER OF HOUSING AUTHORITY VOUCHER PROGRAM - Continued
UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:**

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**3.1 • APPOINTMENTS TO GOVERNMENTAL ASSOCIATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS
& COMMITTEES**

Mayor Esquivel presented his organizational and committee appointments.

ORGANIZATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

California Contract Cities

Association	DuBois - Representative	Esquivel – Alternate
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California Joint Powers

Insurance Authority	Van Nostran - Representative	Croft - Alternate
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So. Calif. Association of Governments (SCAG)

General Assembly	Croft – Representative	DuBois – Alternate
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Gateway Cities COG Board

	DuBois - Representative	Esquivel - Alternate
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Greater Los Angeles County

Vector Control District	Esquivel - Representative	
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Job Training Partnership Act

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League of California Cities

L.A. County Division	Esquivel - Representative	Van Nostran - Alternate
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City Selection Committee	Rogers - Representative	Esquivel - Alternate
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Annual League Conference	Esquivel - Representative	Croft - Alternate
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L.A. County Sanitation

District #3 & #19	Esquivel - Representative	Van Nostran - Alternate
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Southeast Water Coalition

	Rogers - Representative	Croft – Alternate
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**3.1 • APPOINTMENTS TO GOVERNMENTAL ASSOCIATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS
& COMMITTEES - Continued
STANDING COMMITTEES**

Intergovernmental Relations	Esquivel - Chair	Van Nostran - Member
Lakewood Schools	Rogers - Chair	Van Nostran - Member
Environmental Management	Croft - Chair	DuBois - Member
Public Safety	Van Nostran - Chair	Rogers - Member
Park Development/Community Services	Esquivel - Chair	Rogers - Member
Water Resources	Croft - Chair	Van Nostran - Member
Community Promotion	DuBois - Chair	Rogers - Member

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS AS PRESENTED. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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At 7:58 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:00 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 Esquivel adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m. to Tuesday, April 20, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk