



# Minutes

## Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held  
April 9, 2013

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

**INVOCATION** was offered by Mr. Tray Russell, Spiritual Assembly of Baha'i of Lakewood

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Royal Rangers Outpost #170

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Croft announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Karen Davis, sister of Lakewood's Senior Project Manager June Anderson; and in memory of Thelma Ray, original Lakewood homeowner and mother of Lakewood's Water Distribution Supervisor Randy Ray.

Council Member Wood complimented the Friends of the Lakewood Libraries' Board Members and volunteers for their successful Book Sale on Saturday, raising funds for programming at both Lakewood libraries.

Council Member DuBois offered congratulations to Todd Rogers on his promotion to Assistant Sheriff for Los Angeles County. Vice Mayor Rogers thanked his City Council colleagues for being so supportive and stated he was honored to have the trust of Los Angeles County Sheriff, Leroy Baca.

### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

**COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7.**

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held March 26, 2013

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 12-2; Watermain Replacement 2012; T.A. Rivard, Inc.

**ROUTINE ITEMS:** Continued

RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-6; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CANDLEWOOD STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-7; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF LOOMIS STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-6 Authorization for Execution of Documents for Transfer of Iacoboni Library

RI-7 Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Gateway Cities Council of Governments for Coordinated Monitoring Plan for the Los Angeles River

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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

Mayor Croft presented his organizational and committee appointments.

**ORGANIZATIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

California Contract Cities

Association	Wood - Representative	DuBois – Alternate
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California Joint Powers

Insurance Authority	Wood - Representative	Piazza - Alternate
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So. Calif. Association of Governments (SCAG)

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

DuBois - Representative	Piazza - Alternate
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Greater Los Angeles County

Vector Control District	Croft - Representative
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Job Training Partnership Act  
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Wood - Policy Board
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League of California Cities

L.A. County Division	Piazza - Representative	Wood - Alternate
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**3.1 • APPOINTMENTS TO GOVERNMENTAL ASSOCIATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & COMMITTEES - Continued**

City Selection Committee	Piazza - Representative	Wood - Alternate
Annual League Conference	Rogers - Representative	DuBois - Alternate
L.A. County Sanitation District #3 & #19	Croft - Representative	Rogers - Alternate
Southeast Water Coalition	Rogers - Representative	Croft – Alternate
<b>STANDING COMMITTEES</b>		
Intergovernmental Relations	Croft - Chair	Rogers - Member
Lakewood Schools	Rogers - Chair	DuBois - Member
Environmental Management	DuBois - Chair	Piazza - Member
Public Safety	Rogers - Chair	Croft – Member
Park Development	Wood - Chair	Rogers – Member
Water Resources	Piazza - Chair	Croft - Member
Community Promotion	Rogers - Chair	Wood - Member

Mayor Croft stated that it was his intent to create an additional Standing Committee for the purposes of economic development. The members of the new committee would work proactively with the City Manager and staff to bring desirable businesses into the City. He advised that the members of the new committee would be the current and immediate past mayor, providing for continuity and noted that the idea for the committee was one that had evolved near the end of Mayor DuBois' term. He stated that he would work with staff to further define the scope of work for the committee and its staff support. The Mayor directed staff to bring a resolution to the City Council at its next meeting to establish the new committee.

Council Member DuBois stated that she strongly supported the new committee as a measure to demonstrate that the City was closely aligned with the business community.

Council Member Piazza stated the new committee could be very helpful in conveying just how special Lakewood was to potential business developers.

Vice Mayor Rogers stated that although the City had very little control over what businesses decided to locate here, it was important to exert influence to try and attract great businesses.

Council Member Wood noted that since Council Members frequently heard from residents about the kinds of businesses they would like to see in town, this would be a great opportunity to pass along information about what businesses the community would support.

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

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS AS PRESENTED AND ESTABLISH A NEW STANDING COMMITTEE AS PROPOSED BY THE MAYOR. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**3.2 • COMPLETION OF RESIDENTIAL PAVEMENT REHAB AND ACCEPTANCE OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 12-1; RESIDENTIAL STREET REHAB 2012; R.J. NOBLE CO.**

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She stated that the completion of Public Works Project No. 12-1, which had resurfaced 6 miles of residential streets and replaced 4.7 miles of sidewalk and 2.6 miles of curb and gutter, marked the completion of the residential paving program. She advised that the program to pave all 196 miles of residential, arterial and collector streets had included 14 different contracts over a 12-year period, with a total cost of about \$47 million. She noted that with the use of rubberized asphalt, not only were a lot of used tires recycled, but the new surfaces should last a long time. She also noted that the City had won an award from the American Public Works Association (APWA) for the project. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council accept the work of R. J. Noble Company for Public Works Project No. 12-1, in the amount of \$2,465,288.27, and authorize the filing of a notice of completion; and ratify contract change orders for the project in the total amount of \$511,413.02.

Council Member Rogers noted that the project had started in the first year he served on the City Council, and that although there had been times over the years when it was a struggle to find financing for the projects, the City Council had maintained a commitment to see it through. He also noted how Lakewood residents pointed out with pride, the quality of their streets.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

### **3.3 • INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS GOALS**

Senior Management Analyst Paolo Beltran made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated the Intergovernmental Relations Committee had formulated goals for 2013. These goals would provide the platform for priorities and City advocacy throughout the legislative session. He noted that the goals would focus on the impacts of Federal sequestration cuts and implementation of the Affordable Care Act, as well as State prison realignment, and economic development proposals to replace redevelopment, among others. It was the recommendation of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee that the City Council adopt the proposed Statement of Intergovernmental Relations Goals for 2013.

Mayor Croft thanked the staff for tracking proposed legislation. He noted that although there had been several news stories about local government lobbying efforts, it was vitally important to watch legislation and know the potential impacts on the City.

Council Member Wood stressed the importance of having clear goals stated and also noted that Lakewood had a reputation for leadership in this area.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO ADOPT THE STATEMENT OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL GOALS FOR 2013. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft  
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None

### **CLOSED SESSION**

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)

Name: Alhambra, et al., vs. County of Los Angeles

Case No. BS 116375

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Croft adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Karen Davis and Thelma Ray.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC  
City Clerk