



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
May 13, 2014

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:31 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Pastor Darin McWatters, First Baptist Church of Lakewood

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Cub Scout Pack 360

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Rogers announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Pely Ferrer, Sr., father of Lakewood's Customer Service Liaison, Lourdes Ferrer Mulhearn; and in memory of Jeffrey Marsh, retired City electrician.

Vice Mayor Wood reported that he had participated in the Principal for a Day program at Artesia High School and was impressed by the great things happening at the school.

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ROUTINE ITEMS:

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

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held April 22, 2014

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-14; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF A REPORT OF DELINQUENT FEES FOR GARBAGE, WASTE AND REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON FOR JULY 22, 2014

RI-5 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-15; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 92-36 PERTAINING TO THE LOW-INCOME EXEMPTION OF THE UTILITY USERS TAX

RI-7 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-16; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A HARDSHIP WAIVER FROM ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING REGARDING AN ADMINISTRATIVE OR PARKING CITATION

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • PERMIT APPLICATIONS FOR THE SALE OF FIREWORKS

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated that 26 organizations had submitted an application for a permit to operate a fireworks stand. She reported that all of the organizations had submitted the proper documentation and the applications had been reviewed by the License and Permit Hearing Board. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the applications for temporary fireworks stand permits and authorize staff to issue the permits.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 7:40 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

VICE MAYOR WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE THE 26 APPLICATIONS FOR FIREWORKS STAND PERMITS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • SUBMITTAL OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM FUNDING

Deputy City Manager Carol Jacoby gave a presentation based on her memo in the agenda and reported that the City was able to apply for an entitlement grant of \$20,137 through the Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program. She noted that the amount of available grant funding had been decreasing each year and that the current amount available was about \$2,000 less than the previous year. She stated that the grant was proposed for use funding the

1.2 • SUBMITTAL OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM FUNDING - Continued

Deputy assigned to the City's Abatement Team. She advised that a 30-day comment period was a required part of the process. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the submittal of the JAG Program funding for the Abatement Team deputy; receive public comment until June 12, 2014; authorize the City Manager to apply for the grant; and direct the Administrative Services Director to appropriate \$20,137 to the 2014 JAG account when the grant was awarded.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 7:43 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-SALE CONSUMPTION, ON-SITE CONSUMPTION IN CONJUNCTION WITH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES MANUFACTURING, AND ON-SALE LICENSE IN C-1 AND C-3 ZONES

City Attorney Steve Skolnik advised that the proposed ordinance had been introduced at the last City Council meeting, following a public hearing. And, that the ordinance was presented for second reading and adoption at this time.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-3; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-SALE CONSUMPTION FROM LOCATIONS LESS THAN 6,500 SQUARE FEET IN AREA, FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION IN CONJUNCTION WITH ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING IN THE M-1 (LIGHT MANUFACTURING) ZONE, AND FOR ON-SALE LICENSES IN THE C-1 AND C-3 ZONES was read by title by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR WOOD SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2014-3. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.2 • AMENDING THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PROCEDURES

The City Attorney advised that at the last City Council meeting, a public hearing had been held and the proposed ordinance had been introduced. The ordinance was presented for second reading and adoption at this time.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-4; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF ARTICLE IV OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE CITATIONS was read by title by the City Clerk.

VICE MAYOR WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2014-4. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • STATUS REPORT ON AB 2189, PERTAINING TO WATER REPLENISHMENT

Water Resources Director Jim Glancy made a presentation based on his memo in the agenda and stated that Assembly Bill 2189 addressed the complex issue of notice for charges related to extraction of groundwater and, as initially presented, was in need of significant amendment. He reported that the Gateway Council of Governments City Manager's Group had met numerous times to develop amendments to refine the proposed legislation. One of the noted problems identified was the voting methodology, which was based on a per parcel basis rather than a preferred per well basis. He stated that the author had already incorporated some of the suggested amendments, however, the most recent version in print did not contain all of the requested amendments. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council direct staff to continue to work with Assembly Member Garcia's staff to incorporate additional amendments to AB 2189 to garner full support for the legislation.

Council Member Croft thanked Mr. Glancy for staying on top of water legislation issues to ensure that the City remains an advocate for sound and reasonable policies.

Mayor Rogers noted that water wars had been ongoing from the early days of the State and that for the benefit of both the City and the water associations that the City partners with, that it was important to remain vigilant on these issues.

MAYOR ROGERS STATED ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL TO DIRECT STAFF TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE AUTHOR OF THE LEGISLATION. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, IT WAS SO ORDERED.

3.2 • MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY PREVIEW

Public Information Officer Bill Grady displayed slides and gave a presentation on the upcoming ceremony planned for Memorial Day. He noted that staff had worked closely with local veterans' groups in planning for the event, which would include a keynote speaker, recognition of all veterans in attendance at the event, a presentation of the colors by the Lakewood High School Junior ROTC, as well as a reading of the poem, "The Boys of Del Valle Park" written by Lakewood resident, Dennis Lander, a Vietnam veteran.

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: Croft, DuBois, Wood, Piazza and Rogers

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS

1. Approval of Register of Demands

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Alan Gafford, Lakewood, thanked the City Council for their representation of Lakewood residents during the ABC Unified School District hearings on trustee area maps.

At 7:59 p.m., Mayor Rogers announced that the City Council would recess to a Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Pursuant to Govt. Code §54957.6

Designated Representative: City Manager Howard Chambers

Employee Organization: Lakewood City Employees' Association

Instructions were given to the City Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Pely Ferrer, Sr. and Jeffrey Marsh.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk