



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
May 24, 2011

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

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Dr. Bill Cox, Emmanuel Church of Lakewood

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Boy Scout Troop 75 from Bethany Lutheran Church

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Van Nostran announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Robert Riddle, father and father-in-law respectively of City employees Allison and Bob Brammer.

Council Member Wood announced that he had represented the City at two Boy Scout events to recognize Lakewood residents Jeff and Debbie Palzer for their service and Matthew and Michael Lopez on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

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ROUTINE ITEMS:

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

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held May 10, 2011

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2011-21; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR STATEWIDE PARK PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS

RI-5 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions

RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2011-22; 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

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-7 Approval of Agreement with Diehl, Evans and Co., LLP for Audit Services

RI-8 Approval of Reappointment to the Southeast LA County Workforce Investment Board

Alan Gafford, addressed the City Council regarding Routine Item 3 and a payment it contained for Gonsalves & Son, the City's legislative advocacy firm.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • 2010 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Water Resources Director Jim Glancy displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. He stated that California State law required that water purveyors, like Lakewood, develop and adopt an Urban Water Management Plan every five years. He briefly reviewed the elements of the Plan, including future water supply and demand projections, water conservation efforts, and a water shortage contingency plan. The plan also provided for a 2015 interim target and 2020 per capita water conservation goal. He stated that the City Council had adopted a water conservation ordinance in 1991 and that the voluntary mode was still in effect. He noted that the City's focus for water conservation was on saving water used outside the home, and that the Water Resources Department was offering a rebate program for various landscaping water conservation devices. He reported that some of the Gateway cities were forming a Regional Alliance to comply with the Water Conservation Act of 2009 and that a letter agreement and resolution were necessary for participation. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council conduct a public hearing on the 2010 Urban Water Management Plan and adopt the accompanying resolution; approve a letter agreement with the Gateway Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) and adopt the resolution to approve participation; and direct staff to finalize the Plan update and forward it to the appropriate State agencies for review.

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-23; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD 2010 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE DESCRIBING THE CITY'S WATER SUPPLY PLAN FOR THE NEXT TWENTY YEARS

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-24; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A LETTER OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN AND AMONG THE CITIES OF DOWNEY, HUNTINGTON PARK, LAKEWOOD, LONG BEACH, LYNWOOD, NORWALK, PARAMOUNT, PICO RIVERA, SANTA FE SPRINGS, SIGNAL HILL, SOUTH GATE, VERNON, WHITTIER, AND PICO WATER DISTRICT FOR ESTABLISHING A REGIONAL ALLIANCE TO COMPLY WITH SB X7-7, THE WATER CONSERVATION ACT OF 2009

1.1 • 2010 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE - Continued

Council Member Croft stated that the Council's Water Resources Committee had thoroughly reviewed the Plan and although very complex, with not all areas of the law yet defined, the final document provided both flexibility and a roadmap to achieve the proposed targets. He acknowledged and expressed appreciation to Water Administration Manager Nancy van der Linden, who had prepared the Plan. He concluded by stating that participation in the IRWM was very important, as a regional approach was key to the issue.

Mayor Van Nostran noted that the State provided instructions were so extensive that they dwarfed the actual Plan and that most agencies lacked the in-house expertise and had to use consultants to prepare their plans.

Council Member Rogers remarked that the State was still changing the requirements, even as the deadline to submit the Plan approached. He inquired if a cost had been determined for participation in the Regional Alliance. Mr. Glancy responded by stating that there was no cost at this time, as the City was already a member of the Gateway Region IRWM.

Vice Mayor DuBois pointed out that the Gateway Council of Governments (COG) provided the City with opportunities to address certain issues on a regional basis and looking regionally could give different, more tailored solutions, benefiting the participating cities.

Council Member Wood stated residents should be reassured to know that plans were in place, especially plans to address the transfer and exchange of water in the event of a disaster. He asked about commercial water conservation. Mr. Glancy responded by stating that they had experienced good results in dealing with the local business community on water conserving landscaping.

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 8:02 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 VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX GUEST REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin reported that the proposed ordinance had been introduced at the last City Council meeting and was presented for second reading and adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-4; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADDING NEW SECTION 6915 TO CHAPTER 9 OF ARTICLE VI OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO IMPOSE REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO THE REGISTRATION OF HOTEL GUESTS was read by title by Mayor Van Nostran.

2.1 • TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX GUEST REGISTRATION - Continued
COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD
SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2011-4.
UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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At 8:04 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the
Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:06 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Tiburico and Maria Zepeda, addressed the City Council regarding a neighborhood property
issue.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Van Nostran
adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m. to Tuesday, June 14, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive
Board Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Robert Riddle.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk