MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:40 p.m. by Vice Mayor Van Nostran in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Dr. John Bonner, Chaplain Emeritus to the City Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Steve Croft

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:  
Vice Mayor Van Nostran announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Jack Kyser, chief economist for the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation, and long-time friend of Lakewood.

Council Member Croft expressed congratulations to Lakewood’s Special Olympics baseball team, the Dirtbags, for their State championship win.

ROUTINE ITEMS:  
Vice Mayor Van Nostran announced that Routine Item 10 would be removed from the agenda and considered at a later meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held November 9, and November 23, 2010
RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
RI-4 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions
RI-5 Approval of Renewal of Lakewood Equestrian Center License Agreement with Southern California Edison Company
ROUTINE ITEMS:  Continued
RI-6  Approval of VHF Communications Radio for Sky Knight Program
RI-7  Approval of Quarterly Schedule of Investments
RI-8  Approval of Proposition A Fund Exchange and Assignment Agreement
RI-9  Approval of Change Order for Public Works Contract No. 2009-5, Demolition for Scattered Lot Acquisition Program

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft and Rogers
NAYS:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  None
ABSENT:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  Esquivel

1.1 • ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR CITIZEN’S OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY (COPS) GRANT
Deputy City Manager Carol Flynn Jacoby gave a report based on the memo contained in the agenda and stated that Citizen’s Options for Public Safety (COPS) Grant funding was available to the City at an estimated $100,000. She advised that the funds were intended for front line law enforcement services and must be appropriated pursuant to written requests from the Lakewood Sheriff’s Station Captain and the City Manager. She noted that the proposed projects to be funded included the summer Park Deputy Patrol, special event enhanced patrols and mission specific criminal enforcement suppression directed for “hot spots.” It was the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee that following public input, the City Council approve the recommended programs for front line law enforcement services and direct the Administrative Services Director to appropriate the funds to the Supplemental Law Enforcement Services account.

Vice Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:47 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 APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft and Rogers
NAYS:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  None
ABSENT:  COUNCIL MEMBERS:  Esquivel
3.1 • AUTHORIZATION OF PURCHASE OF PLAY EQUIPMENT SYSTEM FOR PALMS PARK

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp displayed slide and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She reported that renovation of the play areas at Palms Park had begun this summer through the use of Community Development Block Grant funds, and that sufficient funding remained to complete the project with an additional play structure and protective surfacing for the school age play area. She advised that proposals had been obtained from two play equipment manufacturers eligible for a piggyback agreement through a government purchasing cooperative. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize staff to negotiate pricing and issue purchase orders for play equipment from GameTime using an existing purchase agreement with U.S. Communities, in an amount not-to-exceed $35,000; and negotiate pricing and issue a purchase order to SpectraTurf in an amount not-to-exceed $6,000 for protective surfacing.

Council Member Croft stated that the equipment installed this summer were already a big hit with kids at Palms Park.

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: Van Nostran, DuBois, Croft and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

At 7:58 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:08 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION:
PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, Pursuant to Government Code §54957
At 8:08 p.m., Vice Mayor Van Nostran announced that the City Council would recess to a closed session pursuant to Government Code §54957 regarding the position of City Manager.

At 9:15 p.m., the City Council reconvened and the City Attorney advised that there was no action to announce.
ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Vice Mayor Van Nostran adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m. to Saturday, December 18, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the Pan American Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Jack Kyser.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk