Minutes
Lakewood City Council
Regular Meeting held
May 14, 2013

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:37 p.m. by Mayor Croft in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Lisa Gay Santiago, Trinity United Methodist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Lakewood High School Junior ROTC

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 thanked the City staff and the members of the Pan American Association for another successful Pan American Fiesta over the weekend.

Council Member DuBois offered a reminder of the upcoming Lakewood Relay For Life for the American Cancer Association and the “Shear the Mayor” challenge.

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

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held April 23, 2013
RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued
RI-5  RESOLUTION NO. 2013-12: 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-6  Authorization for Release of Subdivision Improvement Bonds and Off-site Sanitary Sewer Improvement Bonds, Tract Map No. 63178, 11740 216th Street

RI-7  Approval of Agreement with the County of Los Angeles Regarding the Maintenance for Cleaning of Catch Basin Trash Excluders

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

1.1 • COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 2013-14 ACTION PLAN
Community Development Director Sonia Southwell made a presentation based on the report in the agenda and stated that in order to be eligible to receive funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Community Development Block Grant Program, the City was required to submit a Consolidated Plan every five years and an Action Plan on an annual basis. The Action Plan listed the activities planned to address priority needs and local objectives. She stated that the estimated allocation for fiscal year 2013-2014 was $405,720. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council conduct a public hearing; approve the FY 2013-2014 Action Plan; direct staff to submit the funding application and approve the Action Plan with required certifications by May 15, 2013.

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:50 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA 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
1.2 • PERMIT APPLICATIONS FOR THE SALE OF FIREWORKS
Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin gave a brief presentation based on the memo in the agenda reporting that 26 organizations had complied with all the necessary requirements for filing applications for permits to sell safe-and-sane fireworks. She stated that the Public Safety Committee had reviewed the applications for fireworks stands permits and it was recommended that the City Council approve the applications and authorize the issuance of permits for temporary fireworks stands to the 26 organizations.

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:52 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATIONS FOR FIREWORKS STANDS AS SUBMITTED. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

3.1 • ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR CITIZEN’S OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY (COPS) GRANT
Deputy City Manager Carol Jacoby made a presentation based on the item in the agenda and stated the City would receive an entitlement for fiscal year 2013-14 in the estimated amount of $129,201 for front line law enforcement services. Captain Merrill Ladenheim, Commander of the Lakewood Sheriff’s Station, had provided a written memo outlining the proposed uses for the COPS funds including the summer Park Deputy Patrol, Holiday Enhanced Patrol at the Mall, and other special events. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the Captain’s recommendations and direct staff to appropriate the funds to the Supplemental Law Enforcement Services account.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE THE CAPTAIN’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND DIRECT THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS
1. Registers of Demands
COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS. 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:
Mayor Croft announced that the City Council would recess to a closed session.

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – Pursuant to Govt. Code §54957.6
Designated Representative: City Manager Howard Chambers
Employee Organization: Lakewood City Employees’ Association

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Croft adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk