MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:45 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Dr. Paul Kim, Trinity United Methodist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Wamari Yetan Camp Fire Club

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:  
Mayor Rogers announced the passing of longtime resident and Sheriff’s Station volunteer, Craig Hendrix. He expressed condolences to family and friends and stated that the meeting would be adjourned in his memory.

Valarie Frost, President, Lakewood Rotary Club, made a brief presentation regarding Project Shepherd, which was in its 42nd year of service to the Lakewood community. She asked Mayor Rogers to serve as honorary chairman of this year’s program. Mayor Rogers stated that he would be happy to help.

Lisa Rapp, Director of Public Works, displayed slides and provided a brief update on the status of the Del Valle Park Veterans Memorial jet and its recent disassembly, removal and departure for refurbishment to Arizona.

Mayor Rogers congratulated City Manager Howard Chambers, who had been recognized for 35 years of service to Su Casa at their recent gala event.

ROUTINE ITEMS:  
VICE MAYOR WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held October 14, 2014

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
**ROUTINE ITEMS:** Continued

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Approval of Agreement with Tyler Technologies Inc. “MUNIS” for Accounting Software License and Support

RI-5 Approval of Addition of Subsurface Turf Irrigation to Water Conservation Device Rebate Program

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2014-8; AMENDING THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO DENSITY BONUSES

Sonia Southwell, Director of Community Development, gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated that during the review of the Housing Element, the State Department of Housing and Community Development identified the need for the City’s density bonus regulations to be updated to conform to State law. She added that the proposed ordinance would repeal current density bonus language from the municipal code and replace it with a section that references the State law and any amendments thereto. It was staff’s recommendation that the City Council introduce the proposed ordinance and approve the related negative declaration.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 8:20 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-8; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO DENSITY BONUSES IN THE M-F-R (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2014-8 AND APPROVE THE RELATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
1.2 • AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASING BID 04-14, SONY DIGITAL CAMERAS
Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and reported that the City’s Senior Producer and Assistant City Manager had determined a need to replace analog equipment with digital camcorders. The Purchasing Officer had solicited bids for the cameras and accessories and three sealed bids had been received and opened in the presence of the City Clerk. She stated that subsequent to review of the bids, it was staff’s recommendation that the City Council hold a public hearing and authorize the purchase of two Sony digital cameras, four batteries, and several accessories from the apparent low bidder, VMI, Inc., in the amount of $32,409.51.

Responding to Vice Mayor Wood’s inquiry, Senior Producer Bob Sykes explained that the old equipment would be re-purposed and utilized in other areas.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 8:23 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 VICE MAYOR WOOD SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND 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 • ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 2015 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
Steve Skolnik, City Attorney, stated that the resolutions contained in the agenda pertained to the General Municipal Elections to be held on March 3, 2015, and could be adopted in a single motion along with the authorization to retain Martin & Chapman Company to supply election consulting services and election supplies.

a. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-59; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE FOR THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF SAID CITY AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA PERTAINING TO GENERAL LAW CITIES

b. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-60; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO RENDER SPECIFIED SERVICES TO SAID CITY RELATING TO THE CONDUCT OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015
2.1 • ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 2015 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - Continued

   c. RESOLUTION NO. 2014-61; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015


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

3.1 • 2014 HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

   Lisa Litzinger, Director of Recreation and Community Services, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She reported that Halloween carnivals were the single largest activity of the year at City parks and it had been estimated that over 15,000 children and adults would attend this year’s annual carnival. Carnival elements included over 200 attractions with specialty contests and games, a Red Ribbon booth to promote a drug free society and appropriately scary haunted houses. She concluded by stating that Lakewood’s parks would continue the tradition of offering a safe environment for the community’s youth on Halloween and that the carnivals, supported by community volunteers and staff’s coordination, would provide an opportunity for memorable fun.

   Council Member DuBois and Council Member Piazza commended staff for providing such a high quality and family-oriented event.

   MAYOR ROGERS STATED THAT THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, THE ITEM WAS ORDERED RECEIVED AND FILED.

3.2 • APPROVAL OF NYE LIBRARY AGREEMENT

   The Recreation and Community Services Director gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and explained that the Nye Library lease which came due for renewal in July 2012 had continued on a month-to-month basis until a new agreement could be reached. Staff had evaluated the existing agreement and negotiated adjustments to better serve the City’s interests. The new agreement identified the County’s responsibilities which included taking over the maintenance of the facility’s building interior and amenities as well as any required updates or repairs. The agreement placed the burden on the County to comply with statutes, ordinances, regulations and other requirements for structural modifications or improvements.
3.2 • APPROVAL OF NYE LIBRARY AGREEMENT - Continued
The City would continue to maintain the basic structure of the building and would also maintain the cleanliness of the parking lot as well as the turf and landscape surrounding the building. She stated that the City and County jointly agreed to share the cost of renovating the parking lot when the project commenced. Basic rent did not change from the previous agreement and would be continued at $2,248.50 per month for the duration of the agreement. She concluded by stating that staff recommended the City Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to ratify the new agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, with Los Angeles County to lease the property at 6600 E. Del Amo Boulevard for the George Nye, Jr. Library for a period of ten years, terminating in 2024.

Council Member Croft acknowledged Librarian Carol Burke who was in attendance.

VICE MAYOR WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO RATIFY THE AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THE GEORGE NYE JR. LIBRARY FOR A PERIOD OF TEN YEARS. 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 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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:
Frank Simon, Lakewood, addressed the Council regarding ABC Unified School District Measure AA on the November 4th ballot.

Mayor Rogers expressed his belief that voting was a private matter and he had chosen not to publicly take a position on the measure thereby allowing voters to make their own decisions.
ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Craig Hendrix.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
Acting City Clerk