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

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Monsignor Joseph Greeley, St. Pancratius Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Diane DuBois

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:  
Ben Harvey, Regional Manager Local Public Affairs for Southern California Edison, reported that Edison representatives were in active discussions regarding alternatives for the pole located on Palo Verde Avenue at Centralia Street and were getting close to a resolution of the issue.  
Mayor Croft stated that he appreciated Edison’s willingness to participate in meaningful discussions to resolve the matter.

ROUTINE ITEMS:  
COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held May 6, and May 27, 2008  
RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions  
RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands  
RI-4 Approval of Meeting Reports and Authorizations Pursuant to AB1234  
RI-5 Directing Biennial Review of Conflict of Interest Codes  
RI-6 Approval of Street Closures for July 4th Block Parties
ROUTINE ITEMS:  Continued
RI-7    Approval of Video Production Services and Facilities Fee Schedule

RI-8    RESOLUTION NO. 2008-20; A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING REFORM OF THE
        BOND RATING SYSTEM TO ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST
        MUNICIPAL BONDS

RI-9    Approval of Engineering and Architectural Design Services for City Hall Data Center

RI-10  Approval of Request for Extension of Time for Vacation of the Alley West of Hayter
        Avenue Between Del Amo Boulevard and Hardwick Street

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

1.1 • ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING,
PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL CODES
Community Development Director Jack Gonsalves made a presentation based on the memo
in the agenda by stating that new building codes had been adopted by the State and County,
thereby necessitating an update to the Lakewood Municipal Code. He advised that the
County of Los Angeles had recently adopted those codes and made certain modifications to
customize appropriately for the geography and topography within the County. It was the
recommendation of staff that the City Council hold a public hearing and adopt Ordinance
No. 2008-2.

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-2; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING BY
REFERENCE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 2008 BUILDING CODE, COUNTY OF LOS
ANGELES 2008 ELECTRICAL CODE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 2008 PLUMBING
CODE, AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 2008 MECHANICAL CODE AND
AMENDING THE BUILDING, PLUMBING, MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL
CODES OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD was read by title by the City Clerk.

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:45 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience
wishing to address the City Council on this matter. As there was no response, the Mayor
declared the public hearing closed.

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED
TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2008-2. UPON
ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel, DuBois, Rogers, Van Nostran and Croft
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
2.1 • NON-JUDICIAL FINES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE
City Attorney Steve Skolnik advised that the purpose of the proposed fine was to provide an alternative to processing citations through the judicial system, where certain violations were not prosecuted by the District Attorney’s office as misdemeanors, but rather as infractions with much reduced fines. The resolution was proposed in order to set a fine level that would act as a deterrent.

Responding to a question from Council Member DuBois, Mr. Skolnik stated that there was an appeal process in place for use by anyone who felt their citation was not justified.

Vice Mayor Rogers stated that he had experience with a similar resolution in another city and that following adoption of an initial resolution, they had modified it to include a second level of fines for lesser offenses. He suggested that the resolution be referred back to the Public Safety Committee to see if such a modification was needed prior to the adoption of the proposed resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-21; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2004-8 TO ESTABLISH A NON-JUDICIAL FINE FOR VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 3105 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE

THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, THE ITEM WAS CONTINUED TO THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING.

At 7:54 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 7:55 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:
Neil Hagemeister addressed the City Council about street sweeping in areas with alleys.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Croft adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m. to Tuesday, June 24, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. in the Executive Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk