Minutes
Lakewood City Council
Regular Meeting held
August 9, 2005

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

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Bill Cox, Emmanuel Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Joseph Esquivel

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:
Mayor Esquivel invited Lakewood residents to attend the Patriot Day concert at 4:00 p.m. on September 11th.

ROUTINE ITEMS:
VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held July 26, 2005
RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated July 21, and July 28, 2005
RI-4 Approval of Design Proposal for Mayfair Park Game Court Lighting Replacement Project
RI-5 Approval of Amendment to Agreement with OMB Engineer for Low Voltage Systems - Lakewood Sheriff Station Expansion Project
RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2005-53; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKewood ESTABLISHING A “BOULEVARD STOP” ON PEARCE AVENUE AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH SOUTH STREET SOUTH SERVICE ROAD WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKewood
1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 2005-8, MAYFAIR PARK ACTIVITY BUILDING AND PUMPHOUSE RE-ROOFING PROJECT

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp presented an oral report based on the memo contained in the agenda and reported two bids had been received for the re-roofing of the Mayfair Park Activity Building and Pump House. Under this project, the existing roofing and walk pads would be removed and replaced and a broken skylight replaced. She stated that additional funding would be necessary in order to complete this project. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the plans, specification and working details for the project; award a contract to Vance & Associates in the amount of $103,229; authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders, as necessary, not to exceed $5,000; and to appropriate $32,000 from the Prop 12 Per Capita funds and $38,000 from the General Fund reserve for capital improvements.

Council Member DuBois remarked on the substantial difference in the bids received. Ms. Rapp replied that the bidding market for public contract work was not as competitive as in past years, causing large fluctuations in bidding amounts.

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 7:36 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.
1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 2005-8 - Continued
COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

1.2 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2005-8; PERTAINING TO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS
Community Development Director Chuck Ebner presented an oral report based on the memo contained in the agenda and stated the City Council had made revisions to the Municipal Code in 2001 in order to strengthen provisions dealing with the abatement of unsightly nuisance property. He reported that upon the advice of the City Prosecutor, additional amendments were needed in order to clarify definitions and provisions, including existing standards for home occupation business licenses. He noted a proposed minor change that was recommended subsequent to the Planning and Environment Commission review of the ordinance. He concluded by stating that the project was exempt under CEQA guidelines. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council conduct a public hearing and introduce Ordinance No. 2005-8, as amended.

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-8; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKewood AMENDING THE LAKewood MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO PROPERTY NUISANCES AND MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 7:41 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2005-8. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

1.3 • INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2005-9; PERTAINING TO MOSQUITO ABATEMENT
Mayor Esquivel advised that as a member city of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District, Lakewood had been requested to consider the adoption of an ordinance to provide additional enforcement provisions for dealing with mosquito breeding locations on private property.
1.3 • INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION OF URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2005-9; PERTAINING TO MOSQUITO ABATEMENT - Continued

Jack Hazelrigg, District Manager of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District, stated that with the threat of West Nile virus facing Southern California, the District was asking all of its member cities to consider adopting the model ordinance to enhance abatement proceedings on private property.

City Attorney Steve Skolnik advised that the ordinance had been crafted as an urgency ordinance which set forth the facts demonstrating the need for the ordinance to take effect immediately.

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-9; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING ARTICLE 5 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE FOR SUMMARY ABATEMENT OF MOSQUITO BREEDING SOURCES was read by title by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2005-9. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 7:44 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 ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2005-9. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

3.1 • COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH LA COUNTY FOR SEISMIC RETROFIT OF UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD BRIDGE OVER CHERRY AVENUE

The Director of Public Works presented an oral report based on the memo contained in the agenda and stated L.A. County, as the lead agency, had agreed to provide engineering, bidding, award and construction management for a project to seismically retrofit the City-owned, Union Pacific Railroad bridge over Cherry Avenue. She advised that the project would utilize Federal funds with the City providing a 20 percent match, at an estimated $12,000. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize entering into an agreement with the County of Los Angeles to complete the project.
3.1 • COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH LA COUNTY FOR SEISMIC RETROFIT OF UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD BRIDGE OVER CHERRY AVENUE - Continued
COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

At 7:48 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 7:49 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Esquivel adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk