Minutes
Lakewood City Council
Regular Meeting held
October 26, 2004

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Fardad Mogharabi, Lakewood Bahá’í Faith Community

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Vice Mayor Wayne Piercy

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Todd Rogers
Vice Mayor Wayne Piercy
Council Member Larry Van Nostran
Council Member Robert Wagner

ABSENT: Council Member Joseph Esquivel (excused)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:
Mayor Rogers announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Al Juliano, a long-time community activist, most recently involved in the Lakewood Unified School District Organizing Committee.

ROUTINE ITEMS:
COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held September 28, 2004

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated October 7, and October 14, 2004

RI-4 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions

RI-5 Approval of Quarterly Schedule of Investments

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-7 Approval of Revised City Attorney Retainer

RI-8 RESOLUTION NO. 2004-78; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD VACATING EXCESS RIGHT-OF-WAY NOT REQUIRED FOR STREET OR HIGHWAY PURPOSES, CONSISTING OF A PORTION OF TILBURY STREET AND MARBER AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, AND AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN SAID RESOLUTION AND SHOWN ON MAP ATTACHED THERETO

RI-9 RESOLUTION NO. 2004-79; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE WEST SIDE OF LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD WEST SERVICE ROAD WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

1.1 • ORDINANCE NO. 2004-9; ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH CODE

City Attorney John S. Todd advised that the City had traditionally adopted the Los Angeles County Health Code by reference and that it was appropriate to adopt the most up-to-date version at this time.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 7:34 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-9; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE CURRENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH CODE, DIVISION 1 OF TITLE 11 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE was read by title by the City Clerk.
1.1 • ADOPTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH CODE - Continued
COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO
WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2004-9. UPON ROLL CALL
VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO
APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

1.2 • ORDINANCE NO. 2004-10; ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS
ANGELES COUNTY 2002 FIRE CODE
The City Attorney advised that the City had been notified by the Los Angeles County Fire
Department that a new Fire Code had been adopted by the County and was now available for
the City to adopt by reference.

Mayor Rogers 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.

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN
SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE
MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-10; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE 2002 FIRE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
ANGELES WHICH IN TURN ADOPTS BY REFERENCE THE 2001 EDITION OF THE
WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, ALL AS CONTAINED IN TITLE 32 OF THE LOS
ANGELES COUNTY CODE, REGULATING AND SAFEGUARDING LIFE AND
PROPERTY FROM THE HAZARDS OF FIRE AND EXPLOSION, AND AMENDING
THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE FIRE PREVENTION
CODE OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD was read by title by the City Clerk.
1.2 • ADOPTING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY 2002 FIRE CODE - Continued
COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2004-10. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

2.1 • RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 2005 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION
Mayor Rogers announced that the proposed resolutions were necessary to launch the March 2005 General Municipal Election.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-80; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2005, 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

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-81; 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 8, 2005

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-82; 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 8, 2005

MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO. 2004-80 THROUGH NO. 2004-82. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel
2.2 • SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2004-12; PERTAINING TO WAREHOUSE FACILITIES IN THE M-2 (HEAVY MANUFACTURING) ZONE

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-12; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE AND THE ZONING ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO WAREHOUSE FACILITIES IN THE M-2 (HEAVY MANUFACTURING) ZONE was read by title by the City Clerk.

VICE MAYOR PIERCY MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2004-12. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

3.1 • APPROVAL OF 2004 NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

Community Development Director Chuck Ebner introduced Associate Planner Paul Kuykendall who would present this item. Mr. Kuykendall displayed slides and presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda. The City Council had adopted a resolution in May, 2004, directing staff to prepare a Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan in compliance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. He reported that following review of the plan by the State Office of Emergency Services and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the City would be eligible for funding assistance in the event of a natural disaster. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution adopting the 2004 Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-83; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD 2004 NATURAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AND DIRECTING THE SAME TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Council Member Van Nostran extended compliments to the staff group for their efforts in preparing the extensive document.

Vice Mayor Piercy commended staff for the high level of detail contained in the report, especially in the historical section.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE THE PLAN AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2004-83. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel
3.2 • UPGRADE OF THE AUTOMATED METER READING SYSTEM
The Director of Water Resources, Jim Glancy, presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda and stated the automated meter reading (AMR) system, originally purchased in 1995, would no longer be supported by its manufacturer. He stated that by staying with the original vendor, the meters would not have to be changed but merely fitted with new registers and transponders, resulting in a savings of over $113,000. It was the recommendation of the Water Resources Committee that the City Council authorize the upgrade of the AMR from Badger Meter Corporation and to appropriate $65,700 to water account 710-965-483-4500.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION.

Council Member Wagner stated that the Water Resources Committee had addressed the issue of bidding out a new system, but by staying with the same manufacturer significant savings could be realized.

Council Member Van Nostran noted that in addition to the cost of new meters, there would be significant labor costs as well.

Responding to a question from Mayor Rogers, Mr. Glancy stated the expected life span for these meter systems was eight to ten years.

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AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wagner, Piercy, Van Nostran and Rogers
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel

At 7:47 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 7:48 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:
John Haupt addressed the City Council regarding unpermitted fence extensions.
ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. to Tuesday, November 9, 2004, at 6:30 p.m. in the Executive Board Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Al Juliano.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk