Minutes
Lakewood City Council
Regular Meeting held
April 10, 2001

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

INVOCATION was offered by Pastor Rick Phelps, Calvary Chapel Lakewood

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Campfire Group from St. Timothy Lutheran Church

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:
Mayor Wagner announced the grand opening of the new wing at the Lakewood Center Mall and the new food court. He also announced that Target stores had expressed an interest in taking over the vacant Montgomery Wards site.

The Mayor also announced that April 24th would be the dedication of Mayfair Park’s diamond #1 as Lisa Fernandez Field, honoring the two-time Olympic champion.

ROUTINE ITEMS:
Mayor Wagner advised that Routine Item 4, pertaining to the Monte Verde Park Project would be pulled from the agenda at the request of the Public Works staff.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held January 30, February 13, and February 27, and March 13, 2001

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated March 22 and March 29, 2001
1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASING BID 01-2, TWO EMERGENCY GENERATORS WITH TRANSFER SWITCH

Finance Director Larry Schroeder presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and stated three sealed bids had been received for the purchase of two emergency generators with transfer switch. The generators were intended to provide emergency power for the Centre and for the Nixon yard. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the purchase of two emergency generators from Cummins Cal Pacific, Inc. in the amount of $85,862.07.

Council Member Piercy confirmed from the Finance Director that these items had been included in the budget. As the equipment was intended to provide emergency power to keep the sites operational, he inquired about the number of affected employees at each site. Assistant City Manager Michael Stover stated the staffing in the Centre varied widely depending upon the activities occurring. Mr. Stover noted that with recreation staff, cable television staff and catering staff, that number could run from as low as six to as high as 75 and the patrons in the Centre could number as high as 1,000. The Public Works Director responded by stating the Nixon yard was staffed with 40 to 50 employees and that the proposed generator would also be connected to the Monte Verde Park site and provide emergency power for any group using that facility.

Mayor Wagner 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 ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

Responding to a question from Vice Mayor Van Nostran, the Public Works Director stated that delivery of the units was expected in approximately eight weeks.

2.1 • APPOINTMENTS TO CITY COMMISSIONS

Mayor Wagner stated that appointments to the City’s three commissions would proceed at this time, although he would defer his own appointments until the next regular meeting. He called for Council Members to state the names of their appointees.
2.1 • APPOINTMENTS TO CITY COMMISSIONS - Continued
RESOLUTION NO. 2001-13; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPOINTING MEMBERS OF THE VARIOUS COMMISSIONS OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION
Diane DuBois by Council Member Esquivel
Ron Wade by Council Member Piercy
Kerry Frank by Vice Mayor Van Nostran
Steve Croft by Council Member Rogers

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMISSION
Lynda Carter by Council Member Esquivel
Herb Axup by Council Member Piercy
Chuck Haynes by Vice Mayor Van Nostran
Vicki Stuckey by Council Member Rogers

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMISSION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION
Jeffrey Wood by Council Member Esquivel
Kirk Real by Council Member Piercy
Nancy Piazza by Vice Mayor Van Nostran

Council Member Rogers requested any residents interested in serving on the Recreation and Community Services Commission to please contact him.

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2001-13. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel, Piercy, Van Nostran, Rogers and Wagner
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
2.2 • SB 821 PEDESTRIAN WALKWAYS AND BICYCLE FACILITIES FUND
Senior Management Analyst Scott Pomrehn presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and stated the City received an entitlement each year for projects to improve pedestrian and bicycle facilities and would receive $34,567 for fiscal year 2000-2001. In recent years, the funding had been utilized to provide more handicap ramps around parks and schools. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council allocate the 2000-2001 funds be used to enhance wheelchair and pedestrian access to and around Lindstrom Elementary and Mayfair High Schools.

Responding to a question from Vice Mayor Van Nostran, Mr. Pomrehn stated the proposed project would include 43 ramps and would be bid together with another ramp project in order to obtain the best possible bid price.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-14; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR BICYCLE AND/OR PEDESTRIAN FUNDS UNDER SB 821 APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF ITS BICYCLE AND/OR PEDESTRIAN PLAN

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2001-14. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

2.3 • ORDINANCE NO. 2001-1, DIGITAL SUBDIVISION MAP SUBMISSION
Community Development Director Chuck Ebner reported that the proposed ordinance, which was presented for second reading and adoption, would bring the City’s subdivision map ordinance into compliance with the County’s regulations and would allow the City to update GIS files more readily.

Vice Mayor Van Nostran asked if there was the potential that many applicants would not be equipped to provide the information in this format. Mr. Ebner responded that the technology was readily available and should not impose a hardship on the applicants.

ORDINANCE NO. 2001-1; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE OF LAKEWOOD TO REQUIRE DIGITAL SUBMISSION OF FINAL TRACT AND PARCEL MAPS AND TO ESTABLISH FEES THEREFORE was read by title by the City Clerk.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2001-1.
2.3 • ORDINANCE NO. 2001-1, DIGITAL SUBDIVISION MAP SUBMISSION – Cont.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2001-1. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

2.4 • DISCUSSION OF SB 514; MACHADO, PERTAINING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGISLATION

Mayor Wagner stated that the City Council planned to negotiate with the author of the bill for changes in verbiage so as not to hinder the efforts to form a Lakewood school district.

3.1 • APPOINTMENTS TO GOVERNMENTAL ASSOCIATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & COMMITTEES

Mayor Wagner presented his proposed appointments to the governmental associations, organizations and committees on which Council Members are needed to serve. He noted that since no one had volunteered for the JTPA position, he would serve on that board.

California Contract Cities Association
Piercy - Representative
Esquivel - Alternate

California Joint Powers Insurance Authority
Van Nostran - Representative
Esquivel - Alternate

Consolidated Youth Services Network Policy Board
Rogers – Representative
Piercy - Alternate
Advisory Board
Carol Flynn Jacoby (Admin.)

So. Calif. Association of Governments (SCAG)
General Assembly
Piercy – Representative
Rogers - Alternate

Gateway Cities COG Board
Piercy – Representative
Rogers - Alternate

Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District
Esquivel – Representative
3.1 • APPOINTMENTS TO GOVERNMENTAL ASSOCIATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & COMMITTEES - Continued

Job Training Partnership Act
- Wagner – Policy Board
- Pat Stover – Advisory Board

League of California Cities
  L.A. County Division
  - Wagner – Representative
  - Van Nostran - Alternate
  City Selection Committee
  - Wagner – Representative
  - Van Nostran - Alternate
  Annual League Conference
  - Esquivel – Representative

L.A. County Sanitation District #3 & #19
- Wagner – Representative
- Van Nostran - Alternate

STANDING COMMITTEES

Intergovernmental Relations
- Wagner – Chair
- Van Nostran - Member

Solid Waste Management
- Esquivel – Chair
- Piercy - Member

Public Safety
- Van Nostran – Chair
- Rogers - Member

Park Development/Community Services
- Piercy – Chair
- Esquivel - Member

Water Resources
- Wagner - Chair
- Van Nostran - Member

Community Promotion
- Rogers - Chair
- Piercy - Member

Mayor Wagner also announced that with Marc Titel’s retirement from the City Council, some changes were necessary in the structure of existing ad hoc committees. He noted that as the responsibilities of the LACDA Ad Hoc Committee and the WRD Withdrawal Ad Hoc Committee had ended, neither committee was needed any longer. For the Library Funding Ad Hoc Committee, he replaced Marc Titel with Council Member Piercy. He concluded by stating that the election of Todd Rogers to the Council also changed the dynamics of the School District Formation Ad Hoc Committee and he would like to change the Committee to a committee of the whole.

COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO APPROVE THE ORGANIZATIONAL APPOINTMENTS AND AD HOC COMMITTEE CHANGES.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Esquivel, Piercy, Van Nostran, Rogers and Wagner
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
3.2 • CHANGE ORDER FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT NO. 01-2, RESIDENTIAL PAVEMENT REHAB—CDBG-2001, SILVIA CONSTRUCTION, INC.
The Director of Public Works, Lisa Rapp, presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and reported that in February, the City Council had awarded a contract to Silvia Construction for residential pavement work. Due to the reprogramming of Community Development Block Grant Funds, additional work could be added to the contract to include residential streets in the area east of Studebaker Road and north of Centralia Street, as well as the Palms Park and Boyar Park parking lots. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council appropriate $72,000 of CDBG program income for the Palms Park parking lot and the residential street resurfacing; and authorize staff to approve a change order for $90,000 for the resurfacing of Palms Park and Boyar Park south parking lots.

Vice Mayor Van Nostran noted that the contractor had done a terrific job to date, and complimented the Public Works staff for a well-run project.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

At 8:08 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:14 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

CLOSED SESSION:
Mayor Wagner announced that the City Council would recess to a closed session pursuant to Government Code §54957.6 to meet with labor negotiator (City Manager Howard Chambers) regarding employee benefits and compensation.

At 8:54 p.m., the City Council reconvened with all members present. Mayor Wagner announced that after meeting in closed session, instructions had been given to the negotiator.
ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Wagner adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk