MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 11:30 a.m. by Mayor Esquivel in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Joseph Esquivel
              Vice Mayor Wayne Piercy
              Council Member Marc Titel (arrived 11:35)
              Council Member Robert Wagner
              ABSENT: Council Member Larry Van Nostran (excused)

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

RI-1 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 99-6, Pedestrian and Wheelchair Access Project

RI-2 Approval of Agreements for Professional Staffing Services and Review of City Purchasing Services with Procurement Services Associates

RI-3 Approving Renewal of Grounds Maintenance Agreement with Los Angeles County for Lakewood Sheriff Station

RI-4 Approval of Engagement of Gamble, Rosenberger & Jostwick for Legal Services Pertaining to Document Filings for the Employee Flexible Benefit Plan

RI-5 Approval of Letter of Indemnification for Southern California Edison Company for Income Tax Component

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Piercy, Wagner and Esquivel
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Titel and Van Nostran
1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 99-5, CENTRE AUDIO VISUAL/LIGHTING PROJECT

City Administrator Howard Chambers advised that bids had been received for audio visual and lighting improvements in the Weingart Ballroom of the Centre. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications, addendum and working details for the project; appropriate $117,000 from the General Fund; award the contract to the low bidder, M. Wilson Company Contractors, Inc., in the amount of $198,724; and authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders as necessary, not to exceed $9,923.

Mayor Esquivel opened the public hearing at 11:31 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

VICE MAYOR PIERCY MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND AWARD THE BID AS RECOMMENDED BY STAFF. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

At 11:32 a.m., the Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed. At 11:35 a.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened in the Oak Room. At this time Council Member Titel arrived and took his seat at the table.

LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING

Mayor Esquivel expressed appreciation to Congressman Steven Horn for his leadership role in national Y2K planning, his active involvement in securing the Los Angeles County Drainage Area (LACDA) funding, and his Safe Drinking Water Act letter to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Other topics included funding for local street maintenance; grandfathering of preferred risk flood insurance policies beyond July 6, 2000; and continuing problems with the EPA’s water quality regulations.
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Esquivel adjourned the meeting at 11:59 p.m. to Wednesday, January 19, 2000, at 11:30 a.m. in the Executive Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk