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

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Patrick Thompson, Grace First Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Boy Scouts Tribe of Tahquitz

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Wood
Council Member Steve Croft
Council Member Diane DuBois
Council Member Todd Rogers

ABSENT: Vice Mayor Ron Piazza (excused)

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:
Mayor Wood announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of former Council Member “Dee” DeBaun, who also served on the Planning Commission and had been a decorated World War II veteran; and in memory of Christine Baredian, who, with her daughter Sandie Mercer, had operated the Lakewood Equestrian Center since 1987.

The Mayor stated that the Friends of the Lakewood Libraries would be holding the annual book sale from October 1st through October 3rd, to raise funds for important programs at the City’s two libraries. He also announced the upcoming Lakewood Education Foundation’s annual fundraising golf tournament to be held on October 12th.

Council Member Rogers stated that LEF had raised over $43,000 last year helping dozens of classrooms with special supplies and teaching enhancement tools that improve Lakewood schools. He commended the teachers for the innovation they demonstrated in their grant applications and in utilizing the funds.

Mayor Wood presented a proclamation in support of Student Attendance Awareness Month, to ABC Unified School District Superintendent, Dr. Mary Sieu. Dr. Sieu introduced ABCUSD staff members in the audience and expressed appreciation to the Council and LEF for their support noting the importance of classroom attendance and in preventing chronic absenteeism.
ROUTINE ITEMS:
COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held September 8, 2015

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Approval of Permit for Mayfair High School Homecoming Parade

RI-5 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions

RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-57; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF CENTRALIA AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-58; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF COKE AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-59; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ALLRED STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-60; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF MICHELSION STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-7 Approval of Retention Release for Public Works Contract 2014-5, Del Valle Memorial

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Croft and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Piazza
1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASING BID NO. PUR03-15, ONE 2015 CHEVROLET SILVERADO C3500 WITH DUMP BODY

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda reporting that a need to replace a vehicle for the Tree Division had been determined and that two bids that been received for the purchase of one Chevrolet Silverado C3500 with dump body. She explained that a better price had been obtained for a newer model and that the vehicle being replaced would be salvaged and auctioned off. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the purchase of the vehicle from the low bidder, George Chevrolet, in the amount of $47,668.74.

Mayor Wood opened the public hearing at 7:51 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 AUTHORIZE APPROPRIATION OF PUBLIC WORKS FUNDS AND THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2016 CHEVROLET SILVERADO C3500 WITH DUMP BODY FROM GEORGE CHEVROLET. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Croft and Wood
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Piazza

3.1 • EL NIÑO PREPAREDNESS

Lisa Rapp, Director of Public Works, and Lisa Litzinger, Director of Recreation and Community Services, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. Ms. Rapp reported on the preparations being made for the projected El Niño events for the upcoming winter, which included inspection of City-owned buildings and facilities; cleaning of roofs, gutters, downspouts and catch basins; monitoring of flooding, fallen tree limbs and street light and traffic signal outages; and coordination of responses by appropriate staff and service providers. She added that residents could purchase sand and bags at home improvement retailers.

Ms. Litzinger stated that with a strong El Niño weather system being predicted, Lakewood would prepare its residents by utilizing increased online, print and cable television resources. She highlighted the City’s emergency preparedness program, which included community education, emergency planning and employee training and response, to deal with any disaster, be it an earthquake, flood or power outage.

Mayor Wood and Council Member Croft encouraged everyday home preparedness and reminded residents to exercise extra caution when driving in wet weather.
3.2 • DROUGHT AND WATER CONSERVATION UPDATE

James Glancy, Director of Water Resources, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. He explained that under State emergency conservation regulations, the City had been required to reduce water use by twenty percent from 2013 levels. For June, July, and August, the City had achieved conservation at 28, 29, and 30 percent, respectively. Lakewood’s emergency conservation rule that allowed only two days a week for landscape watering along with the various rebate programs, water-wise devices, and sub-surface irrigation each played a role in the water use reduction. He reported that ninety-two percent of the State still experienced severe drought conditions and that major reservoirs were well below the average capacity with the amount of snow in the Sierra Nevada being at its lowest in more than 500 years. The City had received just under ten inches of rain for the current water year but was still below the historical average rainfall of twelve inches. He provided a reminder that a new watering schedule would go into effect on October 1st with allowances being made for hand watering and drip irrigations systems.

Mr. Glancy, noting that this would be his last meeting, expressed appreciation to the City Council and City Manager Howard Chambers for their support and allowing him stewardship of the Water Resources Department for almost twenty six years.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY ACTIONS

1. Approval of Register of Demands

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Croft and Wood
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Piazza

SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS

1. Approval of Register of Demands

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: DuBois, Rogers, Croft and Wood
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Piazza
ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:
Karen Bierman, Lakewood, expressed concerns to the City Council regarding a code enforcement case.

Donald Venitsky, Lakewood, addressed the City Council regarding meeting proceedings.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Wood adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m. to Tuesday, October 13, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of “Dee” DeBaun and Christine Baredian.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk