



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
April 26, 2011

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

INVOCATION was offered by Elder Mark Parker, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Vice Mayor Diane DuBois

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Van Nostran announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Bob Epple, former State Assembly Member and Cerritos Community College District Trustee.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held April 12, 2011
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2011-19; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF ECKLESON STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD
- RI-5 Approval of Amendment to the Lease for the Lakewood Equestrian Center
- RI-6 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions
- RI-7 Approval of Quarterly Schedule of Investments
- RI-8 Approval of Purchase of Chairs for The Centre

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-9 Authorization to Release Subdivision Improvement Bonds for Tract Map No. 53949

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • ORDINANCE NO. 2011-3; APPROVING A SPECIFIC PLAN FOR 4900 AND 4970 CLARK AVENUE

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-3; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE CIVIC CENTER SPECIFIC PLAN was read by title by Mayor Van Nostran.

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:35 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 CROFT SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2011-3. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • CONTRIBUTION FOR THE LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL METALS TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL)

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp displayed slides and gave a presentation based on the report in the agenda. She stated that Lakewood was part of a regional group working through the Gateway Cities Council of Governments (COG) to develop an implementation plan for the Los Cerritos Channel Metals Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) to reduce the levels of copper, lead and zinc in the runoff. She advised that the costs for compliance with the TMDL were shared by the seven affected cities and Caltrans, with a payment required at this time. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve a payment for the Lakewood share of the project, to date, in an amount of \$106,788.26 from the General Fund.

Responding to a question from Vice Mayor DuBois, Ms. Rapp stated that working through the COG was very advantageous for the City as it allows the participating cities to share the cost of consultants in areas where the cities lacked necessary technical expertise.

Ms. Rapp responded to questions from Council Member Rogers by stating that since these were regulations coming down from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, it was hoped that a funding source would be identified, as compliance was very expensive for everyone involved, and that with the next year, we would have a clearer picture of the timeframe and requirements ahead.

3.1 • CONTRIBUTION FOR THE LOS CERRITOS CHANNEL METALS TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL) - Continued

Council Member Croft observed that the timetable in the consent decree was quickly approaching. Ms. Rapp stated that the City would not be considered in violation as long as we were working with the EPA and showing effort.

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.2 • STATEWIDE WATER SUPPLY UPDATE

Water Resources Director Jim Glancy displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda. He stated the Governor had declared an official end to the drought in California. He reported that the State's reservoirs were near maximum capacity, the snowpack was at 165 percent of average for the season, and the Metropolitan Water District would not be restricting deliveries. He noted that since there were still regulatory restrictions and State mandates which required a reduction in per capita water use by 20 percent in the year 2020, continued conservation was necessary. He concluded by issuing a reminder of the rebate program available for landscape water conservation devices. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council direct staff to continue to promote water conservation in an effort to meet the mandate to reduce water use by 20 percent per capita by 2020.

Council Member Croft stated that with the drought over, the issue of water storage would not be a priority, even though a couple of dry years could mean water shortages again. He stressed the importance of continuing to work on the long-term issue of water storage.

Council Member Rogers stated that it was frustrating that in a time of plenty, so much surplus water was left to go out to the ocean for lack of storage. He noted that the technology existed to store more water underground, but that politics kept getting in the way. He inquired if there was any movement on the State level toward water storage. Mr. Glancy responded by stating the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) had a blueprint out for a proposed aqueduct system of tunnels that would move water through the Sacramento bay delta while preserving the ecosystem, but that there was not much interest at present.

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NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.3 • PAN AMERICAN FIESTA PREVIEW

Recreation and Community Services Director Lisa Litzinger presented a slide show previewing the 2011 Pan American Fiesta which would include amusement rides, craft and food booths, a historical display, pancake breakfast, children's cultural booth, entertainment and displays by the Lakewood Artist Guild. She noted that shuttle service would be provided between the City Hall parking lot and Mayfair Park from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

At 8:14 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:15 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Alan Gafford addressed the City Council regarding house number curb painting, TMDLs, and the purchase of chairs for the Centre.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Van Nostran adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk