



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
August 12, 2014

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:39 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Pastor Darrin McWatters, First Baptist Church of Lakewood

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Girl Scout Troop 3433/113

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Rogers expressed sympathies on the passing of retired City employee, Tim Perz, a long-time member of the Water Resources Department, and Jess Marlow, television news anchor and journalist, who had been Master of Ceremonies for the Award of Valor luncheon for several years. He stated that the meeting would be adjourned in their memories.

Mayor Rogers welcomed representatives from the Weingart-Lakewood YMCA. Mark Dameron, Lakewood resident and member of the YMCA Board of Managers, introduced other board members in the audience. Executive Director Emilio Sosa displayed slides and highlighted features of the \$6 million expansion project focusing on the community's needs with a "family first" approach. He provided an overview of some aspects of the renovation such as exterior redesign; a tech center with activities for teens and youth; family locker rooms; and a wellness center. Mr. Sosa stated that during construction, which would begin in the next month, programs and classes would be downsized. He added that the grand opening was slated for September 2015.

Council Member Piazza, stating that as a long-time YMCA member, he wished to encourage the community to help raise funds for the project and congratulated the Board on their efforts.

Lisa Novotny, Assistant City Manager, displayed slides and made a presentation on the update of the City's website. She provided a brief history of the redesign process with an emphasis on streamlining access to and improving content on the site. She identified improved features such as modern animated windows, action-driven "How Do I" menus, and enhanced site search. She expressed appreciation to the Public Information team for their hard work leading up to the launch of the site.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS: Continued

Bob Brammer, Electronic Media Producer, provided a live website demonstration highlighting the more prominent pages on the site such as the News Center, CityTV Library, Council information section, and online permits and forms. He noted that while the Lakewood Connect mobile application was still available for iPhone and Android devices, the updated site had been developed to be mobile phone friendly to keep up with future technological advances.

Council Member DuBois inquired about the ease of searching for the new site. Ms. Novotny responded that while searches under “Lakewood, California” would result in links to the new website, saved “favorites” or “bookmarks” should be removed and replaced with new ones.

Responding to Vice Mayor Wood’s questions, Mr. Brammer stated that the web pages would be monitored for most visits and popular trends.

Mayor Rogers explained that the delay to the meeting’s start was due to the earlier presentation regarding the drought and water management practices. He noted that the Council intended to be proactive with regards to the water shortage and encouraged residents to call staff with concerns of perceived water waste.

Mayor Rogers congratulated staff on the success of the recent Family Play Day event.

Vice Mayor Wood expressed his gratitude for the Concerts in the Park series and stated he looked forward to the next season.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held July 8, and July 22, 2014

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions

RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-40; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-41; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-42; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-43; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY CLERK MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-44; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-45; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-46; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-47; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-48; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-49; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADDING A JOB CLASSIFICATION AND AMENDING EXISTING PAY RATE IN ATTACHMENT B OF RESOLUTION NO. 2014-27

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-7 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-50; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A POLICY WHICH DELEGATES TORT LIABILITY CLAIMS HANDLING RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE CALIFORNIA JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY AS AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 910, ET SEQ.

RI-8 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-51; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING RESOLUTION NOS. 2013-15 AND 2014-23 PERTAINING TO DETERMINING THE TOTAL ANNUAL APPROPRIATION SUBJECT TO LIMITATION OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2013-2014 AND 2014-2015

RI-9 Approval of Amendment to Video Production Service and AV Services Fee Schedule

RI-10 RESOLUTION NO. 2014-52; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING FINAL MAP VESTING TRACT MAP NO. 72071

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM CONFORMANCE SELF-CERTIFICATION PROCESS

Sonia Southwell, Director of Community Development, presented a report based on the memo in the agenda stating that the Congestion Management Program required an annual report showing development in the City and self-certifying the City's conformance with local CMP requirements. It was staff's recommendation that the City Council hold a public hearing and adopt the proposed resolution.

Ms. Southwell confirmed for Vice Mayor Wood that traffic counts were conducted during odd-numbered years to calculate levels of service on Lakewood Boulevard.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 8:14 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-53; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, FINDING THE CITY TO BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) AND ADOPTING THE CMP LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65089

1.1 • CMP CONFORMANCE SELF-CERTIFICATION PROCESS Continued
COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR WOOD SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2014-53. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY WATER CONSERVATION PROVISIONS

Water Resources Director James Glancy displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. He reported that earlier this year, the Governor had issued executive orders declaring a state of emergency caused by the drought and calling for a 20% reduction in water use. He added that the State Water Resources Control Board had taken action to use 2013 as a baseline for comparison, place restrictions on outdoor water use, establish penalties for violations and establish reporting requirements for water utilities. He detailed the State Board's requirements for retail water agencies, urban water use tracking and enforcement of water use restrictions. He concluded by stating it was staff's recommendation that the City Council hold a public hearing, rescind Resolution No. 2014-39 and adopt the proposed resolution.

City Attorney Steve Skolnik clarified that the rescission of Resolution No. 2014-39 had been contained within the proposed resolution and did not require separate action.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 8:22 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

Council Member Croft stated that after having received a thorough briefing from staff earlier, it was important for all residents to become educated about water use. He noted that with simple reminders to cut back by turning off water when brushing teeth or saving water into pitchers to be used for plants when waiting for the hot water, the look and quality of the community would still be maintained.

Council Member Piazza explained that after hearing the earlier presentation, it was evident that a 20-25% reduction on outdoor water use would not damage lawns which might render them a different shade of green but would help reach the goal and the drought situation.

1.2 • DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROVISIONS Continued
RESOLUTION NO. 2014-54; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DECLARING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES BY REASON OF REGULATIONS IMPOSED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2014-54. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • ORDINANCE NO. 2014-7; AMENDING THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE AND THE ZONING ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO REMOVAL OF GUEST QUARTERS AS A PERMITTABLE USE IN THE R-1, R-A, AND A ZONES

Donald Venitsky, Lakewood, questioned the intent of the proposed ordinance.

The City Attorney stated that there had been an extensive presentation made on guest quarters at the public hearing from the previous Council meeting. He explained that the proposed ordinance would remove from the Code the Lakewood-specific term of guest quarters, coined in the 1950's, and that there remained a second unit ordinance, which complied with Federal and State legislation.

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-7; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE REMOVAL OF GUEST QUARTERS AS A PERMITTED USE IN THE R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL), R-A (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL-LIMITED AGRICULTURE), AND A (AGRICULTURE) ZONES was read by title by the Acting City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR WOOD SECONDED TO WIAVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2014-7. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.1 • APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO THE LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR RYNERSON PARK WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON

Lisa Rapp, Director of Public Works, displayed slides and gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She reported that staff had been working with Southern California Edison for approval of a modified use within the existing license agreement for Rynerson Park for a dog park. Because a portion of the dog park would be on its property, SCE representatives presented staff with conditions and specifications for its use. Staff provided a site plan and details that met the requirements, which had been approved by SCE along with the proposed operating conditions and signage. She stated that the proposed location of “Home Run Dog Park” was ideal due to the minimal activity at that section of the park, which was a considerable distance from homes and businesses. The park would include a double gated entry area for either small or large dogs and fencing would be installed to separate the two areas. The existing landscape would shade both sides of the park and existing terrain had been sufficiently graded. She explained that the horse turn around area would be shortened to terminate south of the dog park and provide separation between the dog and equine uses. She concluded by stating that staff recommended the City Council approve the Addendum to the License Agreement for Rynerson Park with Southern California Edison and authorize the Mayor to sign the addendum in a form approved by the City Attorney.

Dave Ford, Regional Manager, Southern California Edison, recognizing the amount of time that the project had been in the planning stages, expressed his appreciation for the team effort between the City and SCE.

Council Member DuBois agreed that it had been a lengthy process and commended the determination of staff working closely with Mr. Ford to come to a successful result.

Vice Mayor Wood and Council Member Croft conveyed their gratitude to those involved in the planning for their persistence and to the residents for their patience and that they looked forward to people using the dog park.

Council Member Piazza commented that while he appreciated Edison’s efforts regarding the dog park, there were other issues that remained.

Mayor Rogers observed that the dog park was aptly named due to its proximity to the Little League fields.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF’S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

SUCCESSOR AGENCY ACTIONS

1. Approval of Register of Demands

COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA MOVED AND VICE MAYOR WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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2. Approval of Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 – ROPS 14-15B

Diane Perkin, Director of Administrative Services, presented a report based on the memo in the agenda and stated that subsequent to approval by the Oversight Board, the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015, would be submitted to the California Department of Finance and the County Auditor-Controller. It was recommended that the Successor Agency approve the proposed ROPS14-15B.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC

Acting City Clerk