



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Adjourned Regular Meeting held
June 13, 2012

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:01 a.m. by Mayor DuBois in the Executive Board Room at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

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

L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT/COUNCIL BREAKFAST

City Manager Howard Chambers gave an overview of the budget. He discussed current and future budget issues that are likely to impact the city. He noted that Lakewood will continue with our programs and have a balanced budget for the next fiscal year, however there will be challenges given the current economy.

Council Member Rogers arrived at 7:10 a.m. and took his seat at the Council table.

Captain Merrill Ladenheim, Commander of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station, reported on the regional issue of realignment and the Department's efforts to minimize the impact. He reported that the most common item stolen in residential burglaries is jewelry since it can be sold quickly. He noted that liability at the station is low, complaints are down, and that there are currently 27 patrol trainees.

Lieutenant Dan Beringer, Service Area Lieutenant for Lakewood, reported that the Special Assignment Team is working hard to address auto thefts and residential burglaries. The Team has adjusted their hours so they can patrol neighborhoods during day time hours. He explained the new "target" card which will be used to stress the importance of reporting unusual activity when it occurs.

Lakewood's law enforcement leaders and deputies discussed various issues and programs that assist in keeping Lakewood safe. There was discussion on the mall, traffic enforcement, the abatement program, high schools, crime analysis, latent fingerprint program, realignment and the ALPR system.

The City Council asked if exterminators notified the sheriff's when tenting homes in Lakewood. They also expressed the need for continued traffic enforcement on city streets.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the City Council, Mayor DuBois adjourned the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk

Recorded by:

Carol Flynn Jacoby
Deputy City Manager