



# Minutes

## Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held  
March 23, 2010

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MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:41 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Monsignor Joseph Greeley, St. Pancratius Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Vice Mayor Joseph Esquivel

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

### ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Rogers thanked his colleagues for the opportunity to serve as mayor over the past year. He referenced some of the accomplishments such as the 55th anniversary celebration; being named a finalist in the "Most Business Friendly City" competition; joined the new "Crime Stoppers" hotline program; and kicked off the "Lakewood Good Neighbors" program to recognize Lakewood residents who shared kindness and generosity with their neighbors. He also acknowledged the nearly 50,000 hours of community service provided by Lakewood volunteers. He expressed concern about the impacts to the community of the ongoing State budget crisis, through loss of funding vital for local services and the risk to public safety caused by the cost-driven release of prisoners under non-revocable paroles. He offered thank-yous to the City Manager and staff, and a special thank you for the support of his family, especially his wife, Sally. He concluded by thanking his colleagues and the residents for the honor and privilege of serving as their mayor.

### ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR

Mayor Rogers announced that nominations were open for the office of mayor.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO NOMINATE JOSEPH ESQUIVEL TO SERVE AS MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, JOSEPH ESQUIVEL WAS DECLARED MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION.

**ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL - Continued**

Mayor Esquivel expressed his confidence in the future of Lakewood. He stated that the City Council would continue to be united in the efforts to preserve neighborhoods and their quality of life. He thanked the dedicated personnel of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station for their outstanding work to make Lakewood safe, and the City staff for working hard to prevent further funding take-aways. He introduced his wife, Pat, and his family members present. He concluded by stating that he would work with his City Council colleagues to keep the community strong and build for the future.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO NOMINATE LARRY VAN NOSTRAN TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, LARRY VAN NOSTRAN WAS DECLARED VICE MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION.

**ROUTINE ITEMS:**

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held March 9, 2010
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Meeting Reports and Authorizations Pursuant to AB1234
- RI-5 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions
- RI-6 Approval of Amended Expenditure Plan for Justice Assistance Grant Program Funding

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**2.1 • ADOPTION OF SIGNATURE RESOLUTIONS**

City Attorney Steve Skolnik advised that all three resolutions could be considered and adopted with a single motion.

VICE MAYOR VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NOS. 2010-10 THROUGH 2010-12.

**2.1 • ADOPTION OF SIGNATURE RESOLUTIONS - Continued**

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-10; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE CITY TREASURER TO DEPOSIT FUNDS FOR SAFEKEEPING AND INVESTMENT AND AUTHORIZING WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS FROM DEPOSITORIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-11; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF JOSEPH ESQUIVEL, MAYOR, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-12; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF L.H. VAN NOSTRAN, MAYOR PRO TEM, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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At 8:06 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:08 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

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**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

Jim Oberst and Simmer Hanson addressed the City Council regarding the upcoming Children's Day events.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Esquivel adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC  
City Clerk