



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
March 12, 2002

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:34 p.m. by Mayor Wagner in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Dana S. Allin, Christ Presbyterian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Wayne Piercy

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Robert Wagner
Vice Mayor Larry Van Nostran
Council Member Joseph Esquivel
Council Member Wayne Piercy
Council Member Todd Rogers

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Wagner stated that over the past year, the City Council had worked with City staff and with County agencies to protect Lakewood's neighborhoods, expand public facilities and preserve and improve the quality of life. He highlighted some of the achievements from the past year, most notably the announcement by the Federal Emergency Management Agency that the "Flood Tax" was ended. Other achievements included the receipt of a \$1 million grant for open space development along the San Gabriel River; a mayor's committee to discuss RV parking issues; the rejection by the Public Utilities Commission of a proposed merger between Southern California Water Company and Peerless Water Company and the acquisition of the Peerless services in Lakewood; and the expansion of the "Team Lakewood" Sheriff's units. He briefly noted the continuing challenges such as the continued efforts to establish a Lakewood school district; tighter regulations for fireworks; and the need to amend the permit for storm water treatment. He concluded by thanking his Council colleagues and the executive staff for a productive year and expressed his thanks to his wife, Michaelene, for her continuing support.

ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR

Mayor Wagner announced that nominations were open for the office of Mayor for 2002/03.

Council Member Esquivel stated it was his pleasure to nominate for mayor, someone with more than 25 years experience on the City Council, who was very active in the community and his church, and was the current president of the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority. He concluded by stating that throughout the years, the goals of Council Member Larry Van Nostran had always been to make Lakewood a better place in which to live.

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL - Continued

COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL NOMINATED LARRY VAN NOSTRAN TO SERVE AS MAYOR. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, LARRY VAN NOSTRAN WAS DECLARED MAYOR BY ACCLAMATION.

Mayor Van Nostran presented outgoing Mayor Wagner with a plaque and scrapbook commemorating his year of service as Mayor. Mayor Van Nostran also presented Mrs. Michaelene Wagner with a bouquet of flowers in recognition of her support for her husband and the many demands made on their time during his year as mayor.

Mayor Van Nostran stated that there were a lot of major and complex issues facing the City Council in the coming year that could be handled successfully with all five council members working together. Such issues as continued State threats to local finances, through vehicle license fee and sales tax revenue, and land use authority, with high-density/low-income housing regulations; cost of storm water regulations intended to make flood control channel waters "fishable, swimmable and drinkable" which could carry a \$53 billion price tag; economic development efforts to bring the Target store project in on schedule, the consideration of a Kohl's department store locating in Lakewood, and the development of the Boeing property on the Lakewood/Long Beach border; meeting with school leaders on district reorganization; continued law enforcement improvements, like the Lakewood Mall deputies and the PAVE neighborhood patrol program; and the special needs of eastern Lakewood to address housing and law enforcement needs.

Mayor Van Nostran announced that nominations were open for the office of Vice Mayor.

Council Member Piercy stated he was pleased to nominate Joe Esquivel to serve as Vice Mayor. He stated that Council Member Esquivel was a proven leader who had served on the City Council since 1990 and was the current president of the California Contract Cities Association.

COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY NOMINATED JOSEPH ESQUIVEL TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Esquivel, Piercy, Wagner and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held February 26, 2002

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated February 21, and February 28, 2002

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Esquivel, Piercy, Wagner and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • ADOPTION OF SIGNATURE RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO. 2002-7 THROUGH NO. 2002-9.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-7; 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. 2002-8; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF L.H. VAN NOSTRAN, MAYOR, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-9; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE FACSIMILE SIGNATURE OF JOSEPH ESQUIVEL, MAYOR PRO TEM, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Esquivel, Piercy, Wagner and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.2 • GARBAGE, WASTE AND REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

ORDINANCE NO. 2002-4; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING CHAPTER 3 OF ARTICLE V OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO GARBAGE, WASTE AND REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL was read by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIERCY SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2002-4.

2.2 • GARBAGE, WASTE AND REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL - Cont.
UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Esquivel, Piercy, Wagner and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

COUNCIL MEMBER WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2002-4. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Esquivel, Piercy, Wagner and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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At 8:25 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:27 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

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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 Van Nostran adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. to Tuesday, March 26, 2002, at 4:30 p.m. in the Executive Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC
City Clerk