



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Adjourned Regular Meeting held
February 10, 2015

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 6:36 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Executive Board Room at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

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

DEL VALLE MEMORIAL STUDY SESSION

Lisa Rapp, Director of Public Works, displayed slides and presented the value engineering options for the Veterans Memorial Plaza, which included repositioning of the memorial pedestals and deletion of the custom concrete benches. She identified items in the option preferred by the Park Development Committee, in the amount of \$845,050, such as substituting a concrete wood plank finish for the runway; adding an alternate for a jet black broom finish; substituting natural gray cement for the white; and retaining the blue glass lithocrete ocean semicircles noting that concrete work would be performed by Shaw & Sons.

Lisa Litzinger, Director of Recreation and Community Services, displayed slides and reviewed the design of the proposed project, which included a jet airplane themed playground with a custom-designed play structure and would require relocation of the playground area. She identified the project team comprised of Little Tykes Commercial Playground, Kids Around the World, Play Foundations, Spectra Turf and City staff. Ms. Litzinger provided budget estimates and a proposed timeline for the project.

Ms. Rapp provided an update on the jet restoration noting that work was progressing well and that a decision had been requested on the F3D drop tanks versus fabricated Sparrow missiles.

The Mayor and Council Members expressed preference for the Sparrow missiles which had a more striking appearance.

The Public Works Director described the Engraved Brick program, which would utilize pavers already included in the memorial plaza design to be personalized. The veterans brick would offer people the opportunity to honor family and friends who had served in the military and would include a standard inscription in a specific format while the community bricks would offer Lakewood residents and supporters the opportunity to participate with their military or Lakewood-themed pre-set messages commemorated in a nearby walkway. Each brick would cost \$100 with a replica brick offered at \$75 and could be ordered in

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person, by mail or online. Funds generated beyond the cost of the brick, engraving, installation and administration would go toward future maintenance and repair.

Ms. Rapp stated that the deadline for the initial order would be April 1st of this year to allow for installation before the Memorial Day event and that future orders could be installed once or twice per year.

Vice Mayor Wood expressed concern for the amount of staff time involved to administer the program and the perception of it as a commercial activity.

Council Member Croft responded by stating that with the brick program presented as part of the memorial, it would be done in a tasteful manner and would be a good way for residents to be involved.

Council Member DuBois stated her confidence that the brick program would be done well and that she would be honored to be a participant.

Mayor Rogers requested additional options for Council Members and staff to include their current status as well as the time served to be noted on the bricks. He concluded by stating that with the majority consensus, the Council would move forward with the program.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk