



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Adjourned Regular Meeting held
July 27, 2021

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 6:09 p.m. by Mayor Wood in the Maple Room, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Wood
Vice Mayor Steve Croft
Council Member Ariel Pe
Council Member Todd Rogers
Council Member Vicki Stuckey

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CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

At 6:09 p.m., the City Council recessed to a closed session pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(c) to decide whether to initiate future litigation in one case.

At 6:20 p.m., the City Council reconvened.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR CROFT SECONDED TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH ALESHIRE & WYNDER, LLP, TO PARTICIPATE IN LITIGATION ENTITLED, ORANGE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (“OCCOG”) v. GUSTAVO VELASQUEZ, CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. 21STCP01970. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Croft, Pe, Rogers, Stuckey and Wood

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

At 6:21 p.m., the City Council recessed to a closed session to discuss significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of §54956.9 in one case.

At 6:38 p.m., the City Council reconvened and the City Attorney advised that there was no action to announce.

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HOUSING ELEMENT

Abel Avalos, Director of Community Development, provided a brief summary of the 2021-2029 Housing Element Update. He introduced Emily Elliott, Project Manager, and Aaron Barrall, Project Lead, of Michael Baker International, who were participating via Zoom. Ms. Elliott and Mr. Barrall displayed slides and highlighted the Housing Element requirements; Housing Element contents; Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA); proposed compliance strategy; RHNA inventory; draft sites inventory; sample Housing Policy Programs; and some penalties for non-compliance.

Staff responded to Council Members' questions pertaining to submission of the document.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Wood adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk