



# Minutes

## Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held  
August 13, 2013

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**MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Croft in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

**INVOCATION** was offered by Pastor Darrin McWatters, First Baptist Church of Lakewood

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Boy Scout Troop 140

**ROLL CALL: PRESENT:** Mayor Steve Croft  
Vice Mayor Todd Rogers  
Council Member Diane DuBois  
Council Member Ron Piazza  
Council Member Jeff Wood

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Croft announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Dorothy Draper, grandmother of Council Member Wood; and in memory of Jeannie Lederer, wife of Assistant Director of Recreation and Community Services, Tom Lederer.

Mayor Croft issued a reminder that the Greater Lakewood Chamber of Commerce would be holding their annual Car Show on Sunday, with a theme honoring the military.

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### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held July 23, 2013
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Renewal of Reimbursement Agreement for Fingerprint Identification Specialists with the City of Cerritos
- RI-5 Approval of Renewal of Agreement with TruGreen LandCare for Mowing Services

**ROUTINE ITEMS:** Continued

RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-32; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE ACCUMULATION PROGRAM FOR PART-TIME AND LIMITED-SERVICE EMPLOYEES (APPLE PLAN) OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-7 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions

RI-8 Approval of Quarterly Schedule of Investments

RI-9 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-33; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-34; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-35; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-36; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY CLERK MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-37; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-38; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-39; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

**ROUTINE ITEMS:** Continued

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-40; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-41; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION OF CERTAIN PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES MORE THAN TWO YEARS OLD

RI-10 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-42; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF HERSHOLT AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD.

RI-11 Approval of Appointment of Maribel Morcos to the Oversight Board for the Successor Agency to the Former Lakewood Redevelopment Agency

RI-12 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-48; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADDING A JOB CLASSIFICATION TO SCHEDULE B OF RESOLUTION NO. 2013-30 PERTAINING TO HOURLY-RATED PART-TIME EMPLOYEES AND ENACTING A PERSONNEL RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE COMPENSATION, RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO HOURLY-RATED PART-TIME EMPLOYEES

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.1 • AMENDMENT NO. 2013-1 TO THE GENERAL PLAN PERTAINING TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND RELATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Community Development Director Sonia Southwell displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She stated that legislative changes in State law pertaining to the required Housing Element of the General Plan would place Lakewood's General Plan on an eight-year review cycle, instead of every five years. She noted that this update had been prepared in-house and introduced the team responsible for the work: Senior Planner Paul Kuykendall, Housing Specialist Maribel Morcos, and Management Trainee David Barbosa. She also noted that a draft of the document had already been submitted to the Department of Housing and Community Development and had been found to be in compliance with the statutory requirements of State law. It was the recommendation of the Planning and Environment Commission that the City Council hold a public hearing; adopt the proposed resolution to approve General Plan Amendment No. 2013-1 by adopting the 2013-2021 Housing Element; and direct staff to forward the Housing Element to the Department of Housing and Community Development.

**1.1 • AMENDMENT NO. 2013-1 TO THE GENERAL PLAN PERTAINING TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND RELATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION - Continued**

Mayor Croft and Members of Council extended congratulations and their compliments to staff for their professional job done on the Housing Element, that was done before the deadline and was accepted by the State on the first submittal.

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-43; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE GENERAL PLAN BY ADOPTING THE 2013-2021 HOUSING ELEMENT

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:49 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2013-43, AND DIRECT STAFF TO FORWARD THE HOUSING ELEMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.2 • CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM CONFORMANCE SELF-CERTIFICATION PROCESS**

The Director of Community Development made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated that the Congestion Management Program (CMP) was a State-required program that directed local agencies to prepare an annual report showing development activity and the adoption of a resolution to self-certify conformance with CMP requirements. She reported that the CMP for all of Los Angeles County had been developed by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and that the MTA Board had recently voted to seek legislative options to the State-mandated CMP requirements. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council hold a public hearing and adopt the proposed resolution finding the City to be in conformance with the Congestion Management Program and adopting the Local Development Report.

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-44; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, FINDING THE CITY TO BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) AND ADOPTING THE CMP LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65089

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:51 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

**1.2 • CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM CONFORMANCE SELF-CERTIFICATION PROCESS – Continued**

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2013-44. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.3 • AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASING BID 16-13, ONE 2013 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 2500 HD WITH SERVICE BODY**

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin gave a report based on the memo in the agenda, stating that six bid packages had been distributed soliciting bids for a service truck. Funding for the Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) vehicle was available from a grant through the Air Quality Management District. Three sealed bids had been received. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the purchase of one 2013 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 HD CNG with service body from the low bidder, George Chevrolet, in the amount of \$56,749.84.

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:54 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.4 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 13-3, INDUSTRY AREA PAVING - 2013**

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp gave a report based on the memo in the agenda. She reported that five sealed bids had been received for a project to resurface five streets in the Industry Avenue area of the City. She advised that the work on the five streets would be completed using Measure R funds and that the project would also include some repairs to Candlewood Street, using Prop C funds. She noted that the paving work would be completed at night to minimize impacts on the businesses located in the Industry Avenue area. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications and working details for Public Works Project 13-3; award a contract to R.J. Noble Company in the amount of \$734,641.35; and authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders, as needed, not to exceed \$100,000.

Responding to a question from Mayor Croft, Ms. Rapp stated that the price quoted for the materials was actually better than had been estimated.

**1.4 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 13-3, INDUSTRY AREA PAVING – 2013 - Continued**

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:57 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND VICE MAYOR ROGERS SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.5 • ORDINANCE NO. 2013-5, RELATING TO SIGNATURE AUTHORITY**

City Attorney Steve Skolnik advised that as part of the process to revise the City's purchasing provisions, he had prepared an ordinance to establish clear signature authority, both for purchasing purposes, and for other normal circumstances. It was his recommendation that the City Council hold a public hearing and introduce the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:59 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-5; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RELATING TO SIGNATURE AUTHORITY

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2013-5. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**2.1 • SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION FOR ALL CALRECYCLE GRANTS FOR BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING**

The Director of Public Works made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated funds were available through the State Department of Resources, Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for grants to purchase recycling containers and materials and to conduct public education and outreach. She stated that if successful, the grant funds would be used to purchase re-useable containers for beverage container collection bins for community events and meeting rooms at various park locations, as well as outreach and education. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution authorizing the submittal of grant applications to CalRecycle.

**2.1 • SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION FOR ALL CALRECYCLE GRANTS FOR BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING - Continued**

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-45; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION FOR ALL CALRECYCLE GRANTS FOR WHICH THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD IS ELIGIBLE

In response to a question from Council Member DuBois, Ms. Rapp stated that the bins would be clearly labeled for recyclables only and would be collapsible, so they could easily be moved to different locations for special events.

Council Member Wood inquired about the disposition of the materials collected. Ms. Rapp stated that staff would be working with the City's disposal service provider, EDCO, to best process the materials collected. She noted that the major objective was not to recover the CRV value of the materials, but to reduce the City's waste stream.

COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2013-45. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**2.2 • APPLICATION FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FUNDING FOR THE WEST SAN GABRIEL RIVER PARKWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Recreation and Community Services Director Lisa Litzinger gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated that the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District had announced a grant through the Competitive Trails Grant Program. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution to authorize the submission of a grant application for funding of West San Gabriel River Parkway Improvement Project, Phase III and authorize the Director of Recreation and Community Services to execute and submit documents for said application.

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-46; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR COMPETITIVE EXCESS FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT EXCESS FUNDING FOR THE WEST SAN GABRIEL RIVER PARKWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2013-46 AND AUTHORIZE THE RCS DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

### **3.1 • GATEWAY INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND DESIGNATION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

The Director of Public Works displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She stated that Lakewood was part of the 23-agency joint powers authority formed through the Gateway Region for the development of an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) as a collaborative effort to manage water resources, including storm water, on a regional basis. She reported that the proposed IRWMP was intended to be a living document, subject to change and that in order to be eligible for any State funding, projects were required to be listed in the IRWMP. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the Gateway Integrated Regional Water Management Plan and appoint the Director of Public Works as representative of the Gateway Water Management Authority Board and Senior Management Analyst as alternate.

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-47; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE GATEWAY INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN DATED JUNE 2013

Council Member DuBois noted that a recent new article had stated that the County of Los Angeles had been found responsible for stormwater cleanup. The City Attorney advised that the decision noted in the news might not be the final decision and that the matter could be going back to the Supreme Court.

Council Member Piazza confirmed from Ms. Rapp that the Authority was funded through membership fees. He asked what impact that would have on the cities that chose not to join. Ms. Rapp responded by stating that only member cities would be eligible for State grant funds.

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2013-47 AND DESIGNATE NEW BOARD MEMBERS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

### **3.2 • 2013 PATRIOT DAY CONCERT PREVIEW**

The Director of Recreation and Community Services displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda. She stated that the City would be presenting the 12th annual Patriot Day Concert on September 11th at Del Valle Park to honor and remember the victims and heroes of the September 11, 2001 tragedy. She noted that the program would include a flag ceremony, color guard, and message from Mayor Croft. The key speaker for the event would be Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca. The live concert would include a salute to the nation's armed forces, and the evening would conclude with a memorial candle lighting and moment of silence.

**3.2 • 2013 PATRIOT DAY CONCERT PREVIEW - Continued**

Council Member Piazza noted that a lot of cities had dropped their Patriot Day programs, but that he was proud that Lakewood would continue to recognize that day. He felt it was important to the community to continue to remember the events of September 11th.

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**SUCCESSOR AGENCY ACTIONS**

1. Approval of Register of Demands

VICE MAYOR ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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**SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS**

1. Approval of Register of Demands

COUNCIL MEMBER DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTER OF DEMANDS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Piazza, DuBois, Wood and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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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 Croft adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Dorothy Draper and Jeannie Lederer.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC  
City Clerk