

Minutes Lakewood City Council Regular Meeting held December 12, 2000

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

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend John C. Bonner, Pastor Emeritus to the City Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Larry Van Nostran

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Piercy announced that a reception had been held prior to the meeting to acknowledge the graduates of the City's CARE program, to honor the Business Recycler of the Year, and to receive awards from the American Public Works Association and the California Society of Municipal Finance Officers.

ELECTRICAL POWER CRISIS

City Manager Howard Chambers reported that the City had received several notices of "stage three" alerts that could lead to rolling blackouts affecting Lakewood. He stated that a representative from Southern California Edison had been asked to give the City Council the facts and that Captain Bob Osborne would give a brief presentation on the impacts to public safety should there be an outage in Lakewood.

Bob Stein, Southern California Edison, reported that the reasons for the "stage three" alerts were an increase in demand, decreased generation, a limited availability of imported power and the increased cost of imported power. He stated that Edison was attempting to get more power on line and hoped for assistance from the State in the form of legislation. He clarified that there was generally at least a 7% reserve of power statewide and that when that reserve fell to 5%, it was considered a "stage two" alert, and a "stage three" alert occurred when the reserve fell to 1.5% or below. He noted that the blackouts that would have followed the most recent "stage three" alert had been averted by shutting down the California Aqueduct for several hours. He concluded by stating that Edison was in the process of reviewing implementation for essential use customers.

Mayor Piercy inquired about what residents could do to help conserve power. Mr. Stein stated that Edison was asking people to voluntarily limit their use of power during the peak time of 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

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ELECTRICAL POWER CRISIS - Continued

Council Member Titel questioned Mr. Stein about the average length of time for blackouts. Mr. Stein stated blackouts usually lasted about one hour.

Responding to a question from Vice Mayor Wagner, Mr. Stein stated that an area blackout would include everything within the circuit, including street lighting and traffic signals, unless they were on a special circuit. Vice Mayor Wagner also inquired if there had been a generation problem prior to deregulation. Mr. Stein responded by stating that there had not previously been a problem with lack of generation and that the matter was under investigation.

Captain Bob Osborne, Commander of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station, stated that while it was not an extraordinary event to lose power temporarily, such as when a traffic accident damages a utility pole, when the power goes off, panic was the real enemy. He addressed a concern raised by Council Member Van Nostran about a blackout at a large retail facility, such as the Lakewood Center Mall, by stating that most businesses have emergency power generators and/or an emergency plan. He stated that the most difficult part of a blackout would be the traffic controls and that by law, anyone approaching an intersection with signals, even if they are not working, was required to come to a stop. He encouraged drivers to be courteous and cautious and noted that there were plans in effect to place stop signs at major intersections should the power go off. He also encouraged residents to limit 911 calls to actual emergencies and to contact Edison directly with questions about the power outage.

Mr. Stein advised that the phone number for Edison customer service was 800/654-4555 and that during an outage, information would be broadcast on AM radio stations KNBC and KFWB.

Council Member Van Nostran inquired about the City's leased electric vehicles. Finance Director Larry Schroeder advised that the vehicles were set to charge overnight during off-peak hours, when there was less demand for power and the rates were cheaper.

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ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held October 24, November 14, and November 28, 2000
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands dated November 9, November 16, November 22, and November 30, 2000
- RI-4 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions
- RI-5 Amendment to Agreement with AESCO Technologies, Inc. for Additional Geotechnical Services on the Monte Verde Park Project

ROUTINE ITEMS: Continued

- RI-6 Approval of Best Management Practices Policy for Construction & Demolition Material Diversion
- RI-7 Approval of Renewal of Lakewood Equestrian Center License Agreement With Southern California Edison Company
- RI-8 Approval of Supplemental Agreement with Affiliated Computer Services (ACS)
- RI-9 Approval of Engineering and HVAC Services Agreement with BARR Engineering

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Director of Water Resources, Jim Glancy, presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and reported that as a water purveyor with more than 3,000 customers the City was required to develop and adopt an Urban Water Management Plan. He briefly reviewed the components of the 2000 Plan and noted that it provided details on sources and projected supplies over the next 20 years, as well as reviewing conservation efforts and examining a loss of resources contingency plan. He concluded by stating that the plan had been open for public review since November 14th and had also been available on the City's website. It was the recommendation of the City Council Water Resources Committee that following public hearing, the City Council adopt the Urban Water Management Plan Update 2000.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2000-81; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN DESCRIBING THE CITY'S WATER SUPPLY PLAN FOR THE NEXT TWENTY YEARS

Mayor Piercy opened the public hearing at 8:13 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2000-81. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • AWARD OF BID FOR PURCHASING BID 00-9, ONE-TON STAKE-BED TRUCK WITH TOOL BOXES

The Director of Finance presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and stated five sealed bids had been received for the purchase of a one-ton stake-bed truck with tool boxes. After review by the Fleet Supervisor and Purchasing Specialist, it was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the purchase of the truck from the low bidder, Bob Wondries Ford, in the amount of \$25,791.64.

Mayor Piercy opened the public hearing at 8:15 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND VICE MAYOR WAGNER SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.3 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 00-18, YOUTH CENTER & MAYFAIR PARK SWIM PAVILION FLOORING REPLACEMENT PROJECT

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Director of Public Works, Lisa Rapp, presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and reported that two bids had been received for the replacement of carpeting at the Youth Center and at Mayfair Park Swim Pavilion. She noted that the Youth Center carpet would be replaced with linoleum to match existing flooring and the Swim Pavilion would get a new, resilient textile flooring that looked like carpet but was long-wearing and included a quick-dry feature. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications and working details for the projects; award the Youth Center Flooring Project to Commtrac Floors in the amount of \$9,404; and authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of change orders in an amount not to exceed 5% of each contract.

Mayor Piercy opened the public hearing at 8:18 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

COUNCIL MEMBER VAN NOSTRAN MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER TITEL SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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3.1 • AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE COALITION FOR PRACTICAL REGULATION (CPR)

The Director of Public Works presented an oral report based on the memorandum contained in the agenda packet and stated the Coalition for Practical Regulation (CPR) was a group of 33 cities which had formed to legally respond to actions taken by the Regional Water Quality Control Board with regard to mandatory development standards associated with the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP). Due to the success of CPR, it was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize continued participation in the Coalition.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-82; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE COALITION FOR PRACTICAL REGULATION

Responding to a question from Mayor Piercy, Ms. Rapp stated that although a renewal of the NPDES permit would be issued in July, 2001, it would probably take a few more years for CPR to come to an agreement with the Water Quality Control Board.

Vice Mayor Wagner stated that the City would support cleanup actions through reasonable regulations, but with the attitude and action of the Water Quality Control Board, the only way for cities to protect themselves was to form coalitions such as CPR.

VICE MAYOR WAGNER MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ESQUIVEL SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO 2000-82. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Van Nostran, Esquivel, Titel, Wagner and Piercy NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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At 8:23 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:26 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: None

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Piercy adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC City Clerk