



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
April 12, 2022

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:50 p.m. by Mayor Wood in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Wanda Thomas, The Bahá'í Faith

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Girl Scout Troop 1883

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

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Wood shared highlights from the past year of his mayoral term and expressed appreciation by thanking City staff for their assistance and businesses and residents for the opportunity to serve the community. He acknowledged his wife, Mary Jane, and his daughters, Kaitlin and Courtney, for their support.

ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED TO NOMINATE STEVE CROFT TO SERVE AS MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Croft, Pe, Rogers, Stuckey and Wood
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

Mayor Croft presented outgoing Mayor Wood with a plaque and scrapbook commemorating his year of service as Mayor. He also presented Mary Jane Wood with a bouquet of flowers in recognition of her support for her husband during his year as mayor. Mayor Croft stated he looked forward to opportunities to reconnect with the community.

MAYOR CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO NOMINATE ARIEL PE TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wood, Stuckey, Pe, Rogers and Croft
NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Croft announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Evelyn Whisman, the grandmother of our Community Safety Commissioner Erin Stibal.

The Mayor stated that earlier in the month, a proclamation had declared April as “Autism Awareness Month” and Lakewood residents were encouraged to show support by educating themselves on autism and supporting those with autism.

Mayor Croft introduced longtime Lakewood resident, Maria Jimenez, an Ambassador for One Legacy/Donate Life, who spoke regarding organ and tissue donation.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held March 22, 2022

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Report of City Council Committees’ Activities

RI-5 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions – March 2022

RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-17; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE EAST SIDE OF CANEHILL AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-7 Approval of Participant Agreement for the Los Angeles Region Imagery Acquisition Consortium 7 (LARIAC7)

RI-8 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-18; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

RI-9 Award of Bid for Public Works Project No. 2022-3, Asphalt Improvements to the Existing Nixon Yard

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.1 • ADOPTION OF SIGNATURE RESOLUTIONS FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Steve Skolnik, Office of the City Attorney, advised that the proposed resolutions were part of the annual process of obtaining the appropriate signatures to be filed in order for checks to be written.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-19; 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. 2022-20; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF STEVE CROFT, MAYOR, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-21; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE MANUAL, FACSIMILE AND/OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF ARIEL PE, MAYOR PRO TEM, IN THE EXECUTION OF PUBLIC SECURITIES AND INSTRUMENTS OF PAYMENT

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-19, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-20 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2022-21. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

2.2 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-1; PERTAINING TO UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS

Joshua Yordt, Director of Public Safety, made a presentation based on the report in the agenda and explained that the purpose of the proposed ordinance was to prohibit the unlawful possession of catalytic converters and provide appropriate enforcement measures to protect the public and deter theft of catalytic converters. He stated that staff recommended that the City Council introduce the proposed ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-1; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING ARTICLE III OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS was read by title by the City Clerk.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2022-1.

2.2 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-1; PERTAINING TO UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF CATALYTIC CONVERTERS - Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

Council Member Rogers commented on the Public Safety Committee's efforts and innovative approach to remain proactive.

3.1 • PURCHASE OF RADAR TRAILERS WITH VARIABLE MESSAGE SIGN

The Director of Public Safety displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda. He reported that the use of different technology and equipment had proven to improve public safety and were integral components of Lakewood's overall public safety model. He concluded by stating it was staff's recommendation that the City Council approve the purchase of two radar trailers with variable message signs at the proposed contract price of \$46,080.09 from Kustom Signals, Inc. of Lenexa, Kansas.

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

3.2 • AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF BUCKET TRUCK FROM TEREX

Lisa Rapp, Director of Public Works, made a presentation based on the report in the agenda and stated that the tree department needed a replacement bucket truck, as the existing aged bucket truck was often out of service impeding the tree department's ability to quickly respond to service requests. It was staff's recommendation that the City Council authorize the Purchasing Officer to purchase the bucket truck in the amount of \$166,861.

VICE MAYOR PE MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF BUCKET TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$166,861. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

The Council Members commended Ms. Rapp on her 31 years with the City and wished her well on her retirement.

SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS

1. Approval of Register of Demands

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

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Ron Jones, Lakewood, addressed the City Council regarding pickleball courts.

Sophia Tse, ABC Unified School District Board Member, thanked outgoing Mayor Wood and expressed appreciation to the entire City Council for their support of the students in the community.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Croft adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m. to Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Pan American Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Evelyn Whisman.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk