



# Minutes

## Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held  
June 14, 2022

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**MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Croft in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

**INVOCATION** was offered by Father John Woolway, St. Pancratius Catholic Church

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Cub Scout Pack 208

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Croft expressed gratitude to those who voted in the recent election. He added that the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters was counting the ballots and planned to issue final results by the end of the month.

Mayor Croft stated that Council Member Vicki Stuckey had been honored at the Lakewood Celebrates event held earlier in the evening for her two years of service on the City Council and thanked her for her service to the community.

The Mayor announced the many upcoming community events and recreation programs. Mayor Croft noted two calendar commemorations for the month, which included LGBTQ Pride Month and Juneteenth Day, stating that as part of the Community Dialogue Action Plan, the City had sent out eMagazines, news articles and social media posts on both calendar commemorations.

Mayor Croft recognized former Council Member Diane DuBois who was in attendance.

### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PE SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 9.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held May 24, and June 8, 2022

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

**ROUTINE ITEMS:** - Continued

RI-4 Report of City Council Committees' Activities

RI-5 Approval of Meeting Reports and Authorizations Pursuant to AB1234

RI-6 Directing Review of Conflict of Interest Codes

RI-7 Approval of Permits for Street Closures for July 4th Block Parties

RI-8 Approval of 2022 Permit Applications for the Sale of Fireworks

RI-9 Approval of Reappointment to the Southeast Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.1 • CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24**

City Manager Thaddeus McCormack, Finance and Administrative Services Director Jose Gomez and Public Works Director Kelli Pickler displayed slides and made presentations on the proposed two-year budget including Lakewood's budget principles; historic budget strategy; fiscal environment leading to Measure L; general fund budget; financial outlook; noteworthy expenditures and revenues; departmental expenditures; water utility fund budget; noteworthy water budget items and the Capital Improvement Program.

Steve Skolnik, for the City Attorney, stated that the agenda packet included proposed budget resolutions, one of which contained a calculation required to be done annually of the Gann limitation. He advised that the remaining items included various resolutions as well as individual contractual items requiring action as part of the budget process, and that following a public hearing for any public comments, the City Council could approve all of the items with a single motion and vote.

c. RESOLUTION NO. 2022-28; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE BIENNIAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF RESERVE FUNDS INTO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2022

d. RESOLUTION NO. 2022-29; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DETERMINING THE TOTAL ANNUAL APPROPRIATION SUBJECT TO LIMITATION OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023

**1.1 • CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24 - Continued**

e. RESOLUTION NO. 2022-30; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING THE BIENNIAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING REVENUE FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24

1) RESOLUTIONS NO. 2022-31 AND NO. 2022-32; RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD CERTIFYING TO CITY LIGHT AND POWER LAKEWOOD THAT BASIC FEE PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET

2) RESOLUTION NO. 2022-33; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT FOR A COMMUNITY RECREATION PROGRAM WITH THE ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

3) RESOLUTION NO. 2022-34; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND COMMUNITY FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER

4) RESOLUTION NO. 2022-35; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND HUMAN SERVICES ASSOCIATION (HSA)

5) RESOLUTION NO. 2022-36; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LAKEWOOD MEALS ON WHEELS

6) RESOLUTION NO. 2022-37; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND PATHWAYS VOLUNTEER HOSPICE

7) RESOLUTION NO. 2022-38; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND SU CASA - ENDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

8) Approval of Agreement for Telecommunications Services with Abilita LA

9) Approval of Agreement for HVAC and Refrigeration Maintenance and Repair Services with Aire Rite A/C and Refrigeration Inc.

10) Approval of Agreement for Crossing Guard Services with All City Management Services, Inc.

11) Approval of Agreement for Water Quality Testing with ALS Group USA, Corp.

12) Approval of Agreement for Engineering Services with Associated Soils Engineering

13) Approval of Agreement for On-call Services for Well and Booster Pump Maintenance with Bakersfield Well & Pump Co.

**1.1 • CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24 - Continued**

- 14) Approval of Agreement for Information Technology Services with BreaIT Solutions
- 15) Approval of Agreement for On-call Consulting Services with Cannon Corporation
- 16) Approval of Agreement for Well 28 Equipping Project with Cannon Corporation
- 17) Approval of Water Rights Accounting Error Settlement Agreement
- 18) Approval of Agreement for Hardscape Maintenance with CJ Construction
- 19) Approval of Agreement for Maintenance of Advanced Surveillance and Protection (ASAP) System Equipment with Convergent Technologies
- 20) Approval of Agreement for On-call Engineering Services Agreement with Craftwater Engineering, Inc.
- 21) Approval of Agreement for On-call Roof Warranty Inspection and Consulting Services with D7 Consulting Inc.
- 22) Approval of Agreement for Architectural Services with Dahlin Group
- 23) Approval of Agreement for On-call Architectural Services with David George + Associates (DG+A)
- 24) Approval of Agreement for Centre Decor with Dekra-Lite
- 25) Approval of Agreement for Water Storage Facility Inspection and Maintenance with Dive/Corr Inc.
- 26) Approval of Agreement for On-call Emergency Utility Repairs with Doty Bros Construction
- 27) Approval of Agreement for Youth Transportation Services with Durham School Services
- 28) Approval of Agreement for Document Imaging System Maintenance and Support with ECS Imaging, Inc.
- 29) Approval of Agreement for Fair Housing Consulting Services with Fair Housing Consultants Inc. (Sharron Hillery)
- 30) Approval of Agreement for On-call Electrical Engineering Services with FBA Engineering
- 31) Approval of Agreement for Electrical Support Services with Finline Electric

**1.1 • CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24 - Continued**

- 32) Approval of Agreement for Catch Basin Inserts with G2 Construction
- 33) Approval of Agreement for Annual Backflow Testing and Repair Services with Greene Backflow
- 34) Approval of Agreement for Storm Water Services with John L. Hunter & Associates
- 35) Approval of Agreement for Provision of City Attorney Services with Jones & Mayer
- 36) Approval of Agreement for Elevator Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services with Liftech Elevator Services, Inc.
- 37) Approval of Agreement for Transportation Planning and Engineering Services Agreement with LSA Associates, Inc.
- 38) Approval of Agreement for Law Enforcement Services at Lakewood Center Mall with Macerich Lakewood LP
- 39) Approval of Agreement for SCADA System Maintenance with Macro Automatics Corporation
- 40) Approval of Rental Agreement for Child Care Facility at Burns Community Center with Mothers At Work, Inc.
- 41) Approval of Agreement for Design and Engineering Services for Well 13A Treatment Plant Project with Murraysmith, Inc.
- 42) Approval of Agreement for Engineering and Traffic Survey Services with Newport Traffic Studies
- 43) Approval of Agreement for Environmental Consulting Services with Nicholls Consulting
- 44) Approval of Agreement for Bolivar Park Stormwater Facility Maintenance with O.C. Vacuum Environmental Services
- 45) Approval of Agreement for On-call Hazardous Waste Removal Services with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc.
- 46) Approval of Agreement for On-call Electrical Services with Oscar's Electric, Inc.
- 47) Approval of Agreement for Traffic Striping Maintenance Services with PCI Striping
- 48) Approval of Agreement for On-call Mechanical and Plumbing Engineering Services with Pockock Design Solutions Inc.

**1.1 • CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24 - Continued**

49) Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for Operational Assistance with Care of Household Pets and Service Animals of Lakewood Residents During an Emergency Event with Red Rover

50) Approval of Agreement for Street Sweeping Services with R.F. Dickson

51) Approval of Agreement for Landscape Architectural Support Services with Richard Fisher Associates

52) Approval of Agreement for On-call Structural Engineering Services with Robert F. Daniels Structural Engineer

53) Approval of Agreement for Fix-Up Paint-Up Program with Sams Painting

54) Approval of Agreement for Environmental Services with S.C.S. Engineers

55) Approval of Agreement for Street Banner Marketing Program with Sierra Installations, Inc.

56) Approval of Interconnection Agreement with City of Signal Hill

57) Approval of Agreement for Floor and Carpet Cleaning Services with Solid Surface Care

58) Approval of Agreement for Animal Control Services with Southeast Area Animal Control Authority

59) Approval of Agreement for Fire and Burglar Security Systems Monitoring and Maintenance Services with Stanley Convergent Security Solutions, Inc.

60) Approval of Agreement for Helicopter Maintenance with Steam Aircraft

61) Approval of Consultant Services Agreement with Telecom Law Firm, PC

62) Approval of Legal Services Agreement with Telecom Law Firm, PC

63) Approval of Agreement for Delivery of 12.5% Sodium Hypochlorite with Waterline Technologies

64) Approval of Purchasing Agreement for Water with Waterline Technologies for Water Disinfectant

65) Approval of Agreement for Page Composition, Printing and Preparation for Mailing of City Newsletter with Westprint

66) Approval of Agreement for Engineering Services with Willdan

**1.1 • CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 2022-23 AND 2023-24 - Continued**

67) Approval of Agreement for Transportation and Disposal of Nonhazardous Waste with Worldwide Recovery Systems

68) RESOLUTION NO. 2022-39; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE RATE FOR BIN AND SPECIAL REFUSE SERVICES

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 8:24 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter.

Alan Gafford, Long Beach, addressed the City Council regarding items 1.1.e.17, 1.1.e.18, 1.1.e.19 and 1.1.e.23.

Council Member Rogers commended staff for their efforts and acknowledged that due to the residents having voted in favor of Measure L, the City maintained its core values and a balanced budget. He emphasized that the commitments to public safety and recreation were investments to both safety and quality of life in the community.

Council Member Rogers, Council Member Wood and Mr. McCormack clarified that the items on which comments were made pertaining to the settlement agreement with the Water Replenishment District, the license plate reader cameras, capital improvements, hardscape maintenance and architectural services had been thoroughly vetted by the appropriate committees and departmental staff.

Mr. Skolnik added that the referenced contracts did not show dollar amounts because they were for agreements retained on an “as needed” basis.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE ITEMS 1.1.c, 1.1.d, 1.1.e THROUGH 1.1.e.68. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.2 • RESOLUTION NO. 2022-40; WATER CONSERVATION STATE MANDATE**

Derek Nguyen, Director of Water Resources, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda regarding compliance with the State mandate of at least a 15% reduction in water consumption as well as the implementation of Phase/Level II of the City’s Water Shortage Contingency Plan. It was staff’s recommendation that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution declaring the implementation of Phase II water conservation measures of the City of Lakewood’s Water Shortage Contingency Plan.

**1.2 • R2022-40; WATER CONSERVATION STATE MANDATE - Continued**

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-40; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DECLARING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE II WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES BY PURSUANT TO REGULATIONS IMPOSED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Staff responded to questions and comments from the City Council regarding outreach on conservation measures, the use of smart water meter information, and advocating for legislative priorities and long term plan on water issues.

VICE MAYOR PE MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-40. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**2.1 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-2; RELATING TO STREET RACING AND RECKLESS DRIVING**

Joshua Yordt, Director of Public Safety, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda pertaining to the proposed ordinance to establish procedures for civil forfeiture of vehicles used in street racing activities and prohibit spectators attending street racing events in an effort to deter street racing and protect the public. He concluded by stating that staff recommended the City Council introduce the proposed ordinance amending the Lakewood Municipal Code pertaining to street racing and reckless driving.

Staff responded to questions and comments from the City Council regarding the requirement for prior convictions with respect to vehicle impounds as well as administrative citations and fines for spectators.

Mr. Skolnik stated that the Lakewood Municipal Code allowed for the establishment of a fine schedule and that the City Council could consider adoption of such a resolution establishing fines at the second reading of the proposed ordinance. He added that the proposed ordinance could be introduced with the Council Members' suggested language changes pertaining to the requirement of prior convictions.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-2; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING ARTICLE III OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 4 RELATING TO STREET RACING AND RECKLESS DRIVING was read by title by the City Clerk.

MAYOR CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO WAIVE FURTHER READING AND INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2022-2, AS AMENDED.



**2.1 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-2; RELATING TO STREET RACING AND RECKLESS DRIVING - Continued**

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**3.1 • 2022 CIVIC CENTER BLOCK PARTY PREVIEW**

Valarie Frost, Director of Recreation and Community Services, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda. She reported that the City's annual Civic Center Block Party would be held on June 25th. Highlights of the event included a Family Fun Zone, with amusements and carnival games; "A Taste of Lakewood" featuring popular Lakewood eateries; live entertainment; and concluded with a fireworks display.

**SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS**

**1. Approval of Register of Demands**

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY 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

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Croft adjourned the meeting at 9:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC  
City Clerk