



# Minutes

## Lakewood City Council

Adjourned Regular Meeting held  
November 8, 2022

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**MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER** at 6:33 p.m. by Mayor Croft in the Executive Board Room, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

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

**CONSIDERATION OF ESTABLISHING UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT 14, RESOLUTION NO. 2022-77, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO ESTABLISH AN UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 14 ON LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD**

Kelli Pickler, Director of Public Works, introduced consultants Robert Ciccarelli, Project Manager Metro West Region, Southern California Edison, and Bill Pagett, Senior Vice President, Willdan Group, Inc. She displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda. She stated that cities in California had long relied upon the Utility Rule 20A program to reconstruct power and communication lines from overhead to underground and since the program was ending, only currently active projects would be able to proceed to construction. She explained that the City currently had over \$5 million in Rule 20A work credits plus an additional \$3 million in work credits via transfer from the County of Los Angeles. As part of the Lakewood Boulevard Corridor Project, the City had planned to remove the overhead utilities and reconstruct them underground. Using the \$8 million in work credits for a portion of the undergrounding work would be a vital piece of the funding for the project and would allow the City to use the work credits before they expired. This project was introduced at the regular City Council meeting on October 11, 2022. She concluded by stating it was recommended that the City Council adopt the Resolution of Intent regarding proposed Underground Utilities District 14, setting a Public Hearing for December 13, 2022.

Staff and the consultants responded to questions and comments from the Council Members.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-77; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO ESTABLISH AN UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 14 ON LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD (SOUTH STREET TO NORTH CITY LIMIT)

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-77. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Croft adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC

City Clerk