



# Minutes

## Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held  
February 14, 2023

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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 Vice Mayor Ariel Pe

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Girl Scout Troop 2993

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

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Croft announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of retired employee James Watkins, who worked for the city as an Irrigation Repair Worker in the Recreation & Community Services Department; in memory of Lakewood High School student Khalil Saleem, who was killed as a result of a tragic shooting in Long Beach; in memory of Tyre Nichols, who had been beaten to death in January at the hands of police officers in Memphis, Tennessee; and in memory of the three Michigan State University students killed yesterday in a school shooting.

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### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

VICE MAYOR PE MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held January 24, 2023

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Report of City Council Committees' Activities

RI-5 Reports and Authorization of Meetings Pursuant to AB1234

RI-6 Report of Monthly Investment Transactions - January 2023

**ROUTINE ITEMS:** - Continued

RI-7 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-4; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THERE IS A NEED TO CONTINUE TAKING EMERGENCY ACTION REGARDING THE NEED TO MAKE REPAIRS TO THE BOLIVAR PARK STORMWATER CAPTURE BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT

RI-8 Approval of Agreement for 2023 Pan Am Fiesta Amusement Rides with Guadagno & Sons Amusements

RI-9 Approval of Additional Consulting Services for Mayfair Park Water Capture Project by Willdan Engineering

RI-10 Approval of Amendment No. 2 with Los Angeles County Flood Control District - Safe Clean Water Program for Regional Program Funds for Bolivar Park and Mayfair Park

RI-11 Approval of Architectural Services with Dahlin Group for City Hall Office Improvements Master Plan

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**3.1 • MEMBERSHIP IN THE GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST, A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

Abel Avalos, Director of Community Development, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda regarding the City's membership in the Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust, a Joint Powers Authority formed among the cities within the Gateway Cities region. Future financial impact, beginning July 1, 2024, was estimated at \$32,500. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the proposed resolution approving the execution of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement relating to membership in the Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust; and authorize the Mayor to execute the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement with the Gateway Cities Affordable Housing Trust.

Staff responded to questions and comments from Council Members.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-5; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING CITY EXECUTION OF THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST

**3.1 • MEMBERSHIP IN THE GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST, A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY - Continued**

MAYOR CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PE SECONDED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-5 APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST; AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT WITH THE GATEWAY CITIES AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wood, Pe, Chase and Croft

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers

**3.2 • FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2022-23 MIDYEAR BUDGET REVIEW & ADJUSTMENTS AND PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2023-24 REVISED BUDGET PREPARATION CALENDAR**

Finance and Administrative Services Director Jose Gomez displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda pertaining to the fiscal year 2022-23 midyear budget review and adjustments as well as presentation of the fiscal year 2023-24 revised budget preparation calendar. He concluded by stating it was recommended that the City Council adopt the noted changes for inclusion into the City's FY 2022-23 Revised Budget and direct staff to make all related adjustments to the City's budget appropriations; and receive and file the FY 2023-24 Revised Budget Preparation Calendar and provide direction to staff regarding the preparation of the upcoming budget.

Staff responded to questions and comments from Council Members.

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CHASE SECONDED TO ADOPT THE NOTED CHANGES FOR INCLUSION INTO THE CITY'S FY 2022-23 REVISED BUDGET AND DIRECT STAFF TO MAKE ALL RELATED ADJUSTMENTS TO THE CITY'S BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS; AND RECEIVE AND FILE THE FY 2023-24 REVISED BUDGET PREPARATION CALENDAR AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING THE PREPARATION OF THE UPCOMING BUDGET. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**3.3 • LAKEWOOD YOUTH HALL OF FAME PROGRAM**

Valarie Frost, Director of Recreation and Community Services, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda highlighting the 41st Annual Lakewood Youth Hall of Fame Banquet, to be held on Monday, February 27, 2023, at The Centre. She stated that it was staff’s recommendation that the City Council authorize the Mayor to approve the Lakewood Youth Hall of Fame Regulations with the addition of the Joe Esquivel Coach of the Year Award.

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO APPROVE THE LAKEWOOD YOUTH HALL OF FAME REGULATIONS WITH THE ADDITION OF THE JOE ESQUIVEL COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD. 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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**SUCCESSOR HOUSING ACTIONS**

1. Approval of Registers of Demands

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND VICE MAYOR PE SECONDED TO APPROVE THE REGISTERS OF DEMANDS. 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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**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 8:30 p.m. to Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of James Watkins, Khalil Saleem, Tyre Nichols and the three Michigan State University students killed in yesterday’s school shooting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC  
City Clerk