

# Minutes

### Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held December 13, 2011

**MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:31 p.m. by Mayor Van Nostran in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

**INVOCATION** was offered by Reverend Dr. John C. Bonner, Chaplain Emeritus to the City Council

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Jeff Wood

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Larry Van Nostran

Vice Mayor Diane DuBois Council Member Steve Croft Council Member Todd Rogers Council Member Jeff Wood

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Van Nostran announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Dave Shultz, a longtime, active member of the Lakewood Pan American Association.

Council Member Croft noted that during the reception held immediately prior to the meeting, Lakewood's Project Shepherd was highlighted and he urged Lakewood residents to remember the many families in need during the holidays.

#### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held November 8, and November 22, 2011
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions
- RI-5 RESOLUTION NO. 2011-58; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ASHWORTH STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

#### **ROUTINE ITEMS:** Continued

- RI-6 Approval of Amendment to Agreement with Water Well Supply for Well 22 Rehab
- RI-7 Approval of Amendment to Engineering Services Agreement for Water Main Design
- RI-8 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 09-6; Traffic Signal Improvements; California Professional Engineering, Inc.
- RI-9 Approval of License Agreement with Southern California Edison Company for Rynerson Park
- RI-10 Approval of Agreement with Air Management Industries
- RI-11 Approval of Funding for Change of Traffic Signal Electrical Service Point

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

### 1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 10-2, STREET RESURFACING - VARIOUS STREETS

Public Works Director Lisa Rapp displayed slides and presented a report based on the memo in the agenda. She stated ten bids had been received for a project to repave segments of seven streets, including: Arbor Road, Ashworth Street, Carson Street, Del Amo Boulevard, Downey Avenue, Palo Verde Avenue, and South Street. She noted that agreements had been reached with the cities of Cerritos and Long Beach to reimburse for the small portions of the project that were in their cities. She reported that the project would be primarily funded by Federal funds, with the remainder supplemented by State Proposition C and Measure R funds. Construction would be scheduled to begin near the end of January and be completed in May. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications and working details for the Seven Street Segments Pavement Rehab - PW Project 10-02; award a contract to the low bidder, All American Asphalt in the amount of \$2,857,857.00; authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of contract change orders, as needed, not to exceed \$300,000; authorize staff to approve a Willdan proposal for construction management, under their existing agreement, in the amount of \$360,180; authorize the use of Measure R funds in the amount of \$550,000 and Proposition C funds in the amount of \$1,300,000.

Council Member Rogers inquired if in light of the favorable pricing, it would be feasible to expand the scope of the project. Ms. Rapp responded by stating although there were other paving segments that might be considered for such a project, it was not feasible to expand the scope of this project due to the extensive reporting and auditing requirements necessitated by the use of Federal funds.

# 1.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 10-2, STREET RESURFACING - VARIOUS STREETS - Continued

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:45 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter.

Diannia Demiazeliere addressed the City Council in favor of smooth streets.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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#### 2.1 • UPDATE TO GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE POLICY

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and stated that changes in Federal GASB regulations necessitated an update to the City's Governmental Fund Balance Policy. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve the updated Governmental Fund Balance Policy and adopt the proposed resolution establishing the related Commitments within the Policy.

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-59; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE POLICY AS REQUIRED BY GASB 54, AND IDENTIFYING RELATED COMMITTED FUNDS

Responding to a question from Council Member Croft, Ms. Perkin confirmed that this was basically an effort to make all agencies' financial reporting uniform, but would not substantially change the City's manner of reporting.

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO APPROVE THE POLICY AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2011-59. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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#### 3.1 • HOLIDAY RECREATION PROGRAMS

Recreation and Community Services Director Lisa Litzinger displayed slides and gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She reviewed some of the special programs available over the holiday season, including events for seniors such as the Senior Holiday Luncheon and Winter Wonderland Party; classes for special holiday cooking and decorating; activities for students on winter break, such as craft projects and movies; and the holiday party for Special Olympians.

#### 3.1 • HOLIDAY RECREATION PROGRAMS - Continued

Council Member Croft made note of the Lakewood Special Olympians and their recent successes at the State competitions.

#### 3.2 • COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

The Director of Administrative Services made a presentation based on the report in the agenda and stated the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which was compiled by the Administrative Services Department and audited by the certified accounting firm of White Nelson Diehl Evans LLP, was a set of the City's financial statement. She advised that the report demonstrated that the City of Lakewood was in a strong fiscal condition, with revenues slightly larger than expected due to an increase in sales tax revenues. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council receive and file the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011.

Council Member Rogers commented on the positive nature of the report which was surprising considering the state of the economy. He commended the staff for decreasing expenses and ending the fiscal year in better shape than when it started. He stated that the increase in sales tax revenues was especially heartening.

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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### 3.3 • AUTHORIZATION FOR PURCHASE OF MOBILE STAGE

The Director of Administrative Services displayed slides and gave a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She stated the stage used for City events had become unserviceable after more than 25 years of use and the purchase of a new stage was recommended. Based upon research and recent rental experience, staff had identified the ShowMaster Sound Shell Stage as the best fit for Lakewood events. The suggested model required significantly fewer staff members and less time to complete the set up than the previous stage and was handicapped accessible. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council authorize the purchase of a ShowMaster Sound Shell Stage from Century Industries, LLC, in the amount of \$158,380.00.

Responding to a question from Mayor Van Nostran, Ms. Perkin advised that delivery of the unit could be expected in approximately three months.

Emily Hammond expressed support for the purchase.

#### 3.3 • AUTHORIZATION FOR PURCHASE OF MOBILE STAGE - Continued

Vice Mayor DuBois confirmed with Ms. Perkin that the stage purchase was a budgeted item. Ms. Perkin also advised that the final quoted price was significantly less than anticipated.

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

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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## 3.4 • AGREEMENT WITH CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR RELINQUISHMENT OF STATE ROUTE 19, LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD

The Director of Public Works made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She reported that Lakewood Boulevard, which spanned the length of the City from its north to south borders, had been under the jurisdiction of the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Staff had come to a preliminary agreement with Caltrans for the relinquishment of Lakewood Boulevard, thereby relieving the City of the necessity of submitting all projects involving Lakewood Boulevard for review and approval by Caltrans, a very lengthy and labor-intensive process. She stated that Willdan, a consultant for the City, had inspected and developed a needs assessment and cost estimate for the relinquishment. Caltrans had offered the City \$574,000, to be paid in their 2015 budget, which would cover the cost of future ADA improvements to be included in the next major project on Lakewood Boulevard. It was the recommendation of staff that the City Council approve an agreement with Caltrans for the purpose of relinquishing jurisdiction of Lakewood Boulevard to the City of Lakewood.

Council Member Rogers stated that he supported the relinquishment even though it would mean some additional costs to the City, as controlling Lakewood Boulevard would mean it could be maintained up to the same standards as the other roadways within the City.

Council Member Croft noted that this had been in the works for some time and that completing the relinquishment would mean no more project time lost waiting for Caltrans approvals.

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH CALTRANS FOR THE RELINQUISHMENT OF LAKEWOOD BOULEVARD. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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#### WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Van Nostran reported that correspondence had been received from the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District regarding the expiration of the Board of Trustees term of former Council Member Joseph Esquivel.

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE CROFT TO THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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At 8:16 p.m., the Regular Meeting of the City Council was recessed for the Meeting of the Lakewood Redevelopment Agency. At 8:18 p.m., the City Council Meeting was reconvened.

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**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None

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A moment of silence was observed in memory of Dave Shultz.

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#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

Mayor Van Nostran announced that the City Council would recess to a closed session.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT: Pursuant to Government Code §54957

Title: City Manager

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS:

Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8

Property: 11640 E. 208th Street Agency Negotiator: City Manager Negotiating Parties: Potential Developer Under Negotiation: Terms of Payment

The City Council reconvened at 9:08 p.m. and the City Attorney advised that there was nothing to report.

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Van Nostran adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC City Clerk