

# Minutes

# Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held February 26, 2013

**MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER** at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor DuBois in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

**INVOCATION** was offered by Pastor Chuck Franco, Life Center Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Girl Scout Troops 993 and 1743

**ROLL CALL**: PRESENT: Mayor Diane DuBois

Vice Mayor Steve Croft Council Member Ron Piazza Council Member Todd Rogers Council Member Jeff Wood

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor DuBois announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Herb Axup, an original Lakewood homeowner, who had served as a Neighborhood Watch Block Captain and member of the Community Safety Commission.

Council Member Wood noted that the annual Lakewood Youth Hall of Fame banquet had taken place the day before. He commended the staff for a great event and offered congratulations to all of the athletes honored at the event.

#### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

VICE MAYOR CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER PIAZZA SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6.

- RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held February 12, 2013
- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands
- RI-4 Approval of Report of Monthly Investment Transactions
- RI-5 Approval of Proposition A Fund Exchange and Assignment Agreement
- RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2013-1; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF ROCKET STREET WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

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**ROUTINE ITEMS:** Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Piazza, Croft, Wood, Rogers and DuBois

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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### 3.1 • WATER WELL 22 RELINING PROJECT

Water Resources Director Jim Glancy displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. He reported that a contract hydrogeologist, Tetra Tech, had studied Water Well #22, located on Candlewood Street, and recommended the installation of a liner and gravel pack to reduce the amount of sand currently penetrating the well. Upon completion of liner installation, although the well capacity was partly diminished, the sand was eliminated. He noted that even though the project was successful, additional work would be required to address the treatment of water quality issues relating to odor and taste.

Council Member Rogers inquired if the reduced capacity would have any impact on water pressure for system customers. Mr. Glancy stated that since Well #22 pumped directly into the reservoir, filling it overnight, there were no system pressure issues.

Council Member Piazza stated that as a new Council Member, being introduced to how things work behind the scenes, he could appreciate everything that went into the management of a quality water system and commended the Water Department for also managing the system well fiscally and not sending a bill forward to the next generation.

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### 3.2 · INTRODUCTION TO THE ECONOMIC FORECAST

Community Development Director Sonia Southwell displayed slides and noted that the annual Economic Forecast luncheon would be held on February 27th. She advised that there would be a speaker discussing the Affordable Care Act, a speaker with economic predictions for 2013, and she would be speaking regarding projects and developments in the City for the year.

### 3.3 • PREVIEW OF 2013 LAKEWOOD COMMUNITY RUN

The Director of Community Development displayed slides and showed a brief video about the Lakewood Community Run, scheduled for Saturday, March 9th. She stated that the event, which was organized by the Lakewood Sheriff's Station and the Soroptimist International Club of Lakewood/Long Beach, and sponsored by the City of Lakewood, County of Los Angeles and the Lakewood Center Mall, offered everyone from serious runners to young families a fun day.

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## 3.4 • ADVANCED SURVEILLANCE AND PROTECTION (ASAP) PROJECT

Deputy City Manager Carol Jacoby displayed slides and gave a presentation on the Advanced Surveillance and Protection (ASAP) Project. She stated that the project, which included the installation of Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) and Pan, Tilt, Zoom (PTZ) cameras at key locations surrounding the Lakewood Center Mall had been awarded in July, 2012, and had been completed in time for Black Friday and the holiday shopping season, with the training being completed in early December. She extended thanks to Lieutenant Dan Beringer for all of the time and effort expended to see the project through to completion. She stated that it was exciting to see how well the system was working and that the Sheriff's Station personnel were thrilled with the support from the City Council on this important tool for crime fighting.

Council Member Rogers stated that he was thrilled too! He noted that it was no accident that this project centered around the Lakewood Center Mall, a very important asset to the City.

Vice Mayor Croft stated that the results were even better than hoped for, and it was great to see the use of technology enhance the Sheriff's performance and make Lakewood even safer.

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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 DuBois adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m. to Tuesday, March 12, 2013, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of Herb Axup.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise R. Hayward, CMC City Clerk