

Minutes Lakewood City Council Regular Meeting held February 28, 2012

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

**INVOCATION** was offered by Reverend Bill Cox, Emmanuel Church of Lakewood

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Council Member Todd Rogers

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Larry Van Nostran Vice Mayor Diane DuBois Council Member Steve Croft Council Member Todd Rogers Council Member Jeff Wood

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Van Nostran announced that the meeting would be adjourned in memory of LaVonne Woodlock, a long time Lakewood resident who was involved in many community organizations, was a gifted artist and had recently passed away.

Council Member Wood noted the recent passing of Nini Horn, wife of former Congressman Steve Horn, who had been known for her work in education and the arts. He also announced he had recently attended the Court of Honor for Eagle Scout Ryan Spradlin of Troop 134.

Council Member Rogers acknowledged the "passing of the torch" from the Mayor to Council Member Wood at the previous night's Youth Hall of Fame banquet, and commended Mayor Van Nostran for his leadership and vision in creating the program which had been founded 31 years ago in partnership with Ron Piazza.

#### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7.

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RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meeting held February 14, 2012

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- RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions
- RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

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

- RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2012-8; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING A DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING SPACE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF HARVEY WAY WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD
- RI-5 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 09-9, Re-Roofing Improvements to Burns Center and Palms Park Picnic Shelters, Roofing Standards
- RI-6 Approval of Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement with R.F. Dickson for Street Sweeping Purposes
- RI-7 Approval of Proposition A Fund Exchange and Assignment Agreement

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

## 1.1 • 2011 GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

Sonia Southwell, Director of Community Development made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda reporting that the 2011 General Plan Annual Progress Report, a Statemandated document, summarized the status of the implementation of the Policy Document in light of the goals, policies and programs. She stated it was the Planning and Environment Commission's recommendation that the City Council receive and file the 2011 General Plan Annual Progress Report and direct staff to submit the same to the Governor's Office of Planning and Research and the State Department of Housing and Community Development.

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Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:38 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE THE 2011 GENERAL PLAN ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT AND TO DIRECT STAFF TO SUBMIT IT TO THE STATE'S OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH AND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Rogers, Croft, Wood, DuBois and Van Nostran NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

# 1.2 • INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2012-2; APPROVING A SPECIFIC PLAN FOR 11640 208TH STREET

The Community Development Director displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She reported that the proposed specific plan was necessary to proceed with construction of the three-unit affordable housing project located at 11640 208th Street. She stated that in order to develop this property in an economic manner that did not require underground parking, the applicant had requested approval of a specific plan to vary from certain zoning standards. She added that without the Specific Plan, the project would have higher construction costs and the outcome would be a less desirable project. It was the recommendation of the Planning and Environment Commission that the City Council introduce Ordinance No. 2012-2 and conduct a public hearing on the proposed Specific Plan.

Ms. Southwell responded to Council Member Rogers' inquiry by stating that the roof deck provided individual access per unit and was not a shared common area.

Council Member Rogers expressed concern regarding the elimination of three parking spaces. Ms. Southwell explained that the property could not be developed at the desired three-unit density with the additional parking and that the specific plan could include covenants to make sure the garages would be used for parking and added that enforcement could be accomplished through the management company as well as code enforcement.

In response to questions from Mayor Van Nostran and Vice Mayor DuBois, Ms. Southwell stated that there would be gabled roofs over the deck storage areas and that drainage issues would be addressed by the building code requirements and plan check process.

Mayor Van Nostran opened the public hearing at 7:51 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter.

Jeff Leeper, Managing Member of Colony Development, LLC, clarified that the roof decks would be kept private with taller, solid partitions and that there would be storage spaces for chairs, barbecues, or other items. He stated it was their intent to retain the property long term and therefore expected that maintenance would be a big part of management.

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-2; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING SPECIFIC PLAN NO. 2012-1 was read by title by Mayor Van Nostran.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, WAIVE FURTHER READING AND INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2012-1. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

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# 3.1 • ONLINE BILL PAY FOR WATER AND TRASH SERVICE

Administrative Services Director Diane Perkin displayed slides and made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda. She briefly highlighted the new online bill pay features for the City's water and trash customers including self enrollment and multiple payment options. She added that having partnered with the Public Information Office, efforts were made to give the look of the online bill pay to include similar features from the City's website such as links to keep residents informed about community news and programs.

Michael Aguirre, Accountant, displayed slides providing a step-by-step view to demonstrate the ease of use and access to the online bill pay service.

Noting Council Member Wood's concerns regarding timely responses to automated requests occurring outside of normal business hours such as for forgotten passwords, Mr. Aguirre stated that he would address the matter with the implementation team at InfoSend.

Vice Mayor DuBois commended staff for their implementation efforts having received feedback from some of the over 200 people already enrolled in the program. She stated that she looked forward to the program's continued success and noted the benefit of providing more opportunities for community promotions.

Mr. Aguirre responded to questions from Mayor Van Nostran and Council Member Wood by stating that community announcements could still be included with online billing via sidebar links directly connecting residents back to the City's website.

Mr. Aguirre assured Council Member Croft and Council Member Wood that the issues of third party notification of delinquent accounts and possible confusion between customer service links to utility billing and Public Information would be brought to the attention of the implementation manager.

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND VICE MAYOR DUBOIS SECONDED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT. THERE BEING NO OBJECTION, IT WAS SO ORDERED.

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## SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND SUCCESSOR HOUSING AGENCY ACTIONS

APPROVAL OF SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND SUCCESSOR HOUSING AGENCY RECOGNIZED OBLIGATIONS PAYMENT SCHEDULES

The Director of Administrative Services made a presentation based on the memo in the agenda and reported that with AB x1 26 requiring the dissolution of all redevelopment agencies, each agency was also required to identify its outstanding financial obligations and adopt a listing of recognized obligations and corresponding payment schedules, which would be provided for review by the Oversight Committee every six months. She concluded by stating it was recommended that the City Council adopt the Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule pursuant to Section 34169(g) of the California Health and Safety Code.

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## SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND SUCCESSOR HOUSING AGENCY ACTIONS

APPROVAL OF SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND SUCCESSOR HOUSING AGENCY RECOGNIZED OBLIGATIONS PAYMENT SCHEDULES - Continued VICE MAYOR DUBOIS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS SECONDED TO ADOPT THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATIONS PAYMENT SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE FOR BOTH THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND THE SUCCESSOR HOUSING AGENCY AND SUBMIT THE SAME TO THE STATE AND TO THE COUNTY. 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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**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:** None

# ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Van Nostran adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m. to Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room. A moment of silence was observed in memory of LaVonne Woodlock.

Respectfully submitted,

Josefina Semense-Mayberry, CMC Deputy City Clerk