



# Minutes

## Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held  
June 28, 2022

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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 Council Member Vicki Stuckey

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by Boy Scout Troop 134

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Mayor Croft commended staff and thanked the Sheriff's Department for their partnership on the success of the past Saturday's Civic Center Block Party event. He reminded residents to safety and legally celebrate the upcoming Fourth of July holiday and encouraged the purchase of "safe and sane" fireworks from the many Lakewood community groups hosting fireworks stands. He added that there would be extra Deputy Sheriffs and Community Safety Officers on the streets for the holiday weekend to respond to reports of illegal fireworks use, with citations that could run up to \$2,000 each.

Council Member Wood stated that a Regional Job Fair sponsored by SELACO would be held on July 27, 2022, in Artesia with employers present to showcase job opportunities in various employment sectors.

### **ROUTINE ITEMS:**

COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14.

RI-1 Approval of Minutes of the Meetings held May 24, June 3, and June 14, 2022

RI-2 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-3 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-4 Approval of Report of City Council Committees' Activities

RI-5 Approval of Monthly Report of Investment Transactions - May 2022

**ROUTINE ITEMS: - Continued**

RI-6 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-41; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD EXTENDING A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS

RI-7 RESOLUTION NO. 2022-42; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

RI-8 Approval of Appropriations for Capital Improvement Projects

RI-9 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Diamond Environmental Services

RI-10 Approval of Amendment to Agreement for Mowing and Landscape Services with LandCare

RI-11 Approval of Professional Services Agreement with Michael Baker International for Planning Technician

RI-12 Approval of Amendment to Agreement with Pacific EH&S Services, Inc. for Health and Safety Consulting Services

RI-13 Approval of Amendment to Agreement for Window Cleaning and Care Services with Pane in the Glass

RI-14 Approval of Agreement with T2 Systems for Cloud Hosted Parking Control Software Program

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

**1.1 • AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR REFUSE COLLECTION WITH EDCO WASTE SERVICES; RESOLUTION NO. 2022-43, ADJUSTING RESIDENTIAL REFUSE RATES**

Finance and Administrative Services Director Jose Gomez made a presentation based on the report in the agenda regarding an amendment to the agreement with EDCO Waste Services, which included a revised Appendix B for refuse collection and recycling service and resulted in an adjustment to residential refuse rates. He reported that one written protest had been received regarding the proposed rate increase. He concluded by stating that it was staff's recommendation that the City Council approve the 2022 Amendment to the agreement with EDCO Waste Services, LLC and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney; hold a public hearing; and adopt the proposed resolution.

**1.1 • AMENDMENT TO EDCO WASTE SERVICES AGREEMENT AND ADJUSTING RESIDENTIAL REFUSE RATES - Continued**

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:42 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-43; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD TO ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL REFUSE RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

VICE MAYOR PE MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO APPROVE THE 2022 AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH EDCO WASTE SERVICES, LLC AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-43.

Council Member Rogers expressed appreciation for EDCO working with staff to avoid a higher increase and acknowledged that such rate increases had been a necessity to maintain the City's financial solvency.

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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**1.2 • LAKEWOOD WATER SYSTEM PUBLIC HEALTH GOALS REPORT 2022**

Derek Nguyen, Director of Water Resources, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda regarding the 2022 Public Health Goals Report providing a summary of maximum contaminant levels and estimated treatment costs. Staff recommended that the City Council conduct a public hearing to accept and respond to public comments on the Public Health Goals Compliance Report for 2019–2021.

Dr. Nguyen and City Manager Thaddeus McCormack emphasized that the levels of naturally existing constituents were well below the Federal and State drinking water standards. Mr. McCormack added that he was not aware of any entity that did not have similar constituents in their health report.

Mayor Croft opened the public hearing at 7:53 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter. There was no response.

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

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**2.1 • SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-2; RELATING TO STREET RACING AND RECKLESS DRIVING; RESOLUTION 2022-44, TO ESTABLISH NON-JUDICIAL FINE FOR VIOLATIONS OF LMC 3402**

Steve Skolnik, for the City Attorney, reported that the proposed ordinance had been introduced and read by title at the last City Council meeting. He explained that the requested changes had been incorporated into the proposed ordinance and that a proposed resolution had been drafted to establish a fine schedule for violations relating to street racing.

Joshua Yordt, Director of Public Safety, made a presentation based on the report in the agenda stating that at its previous meeting, the City Council provided direction to make modifications to the proposed ordinance by removing the provisions that required a prior conviction of reckless driving, speed contest or other related excessive speeding violations. He added that staff had been directed to draft a resolution to establish a fine schedule for violations relating to street racing. It was staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Ordinance 2022-2, and adopt Resolution No. 2022-44, establishing a non-judicial fine for violations of Section 3402 of the Lakewood Municipal Code.

Council Member Wood and Council Member Rogers thanked the Public Safety team for making the revisions and for providing the tools needed to send the message that such dangerous activity had serious consequences.

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-2; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING ARTICLE III OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 4 RELATING TO STREET RACING AND RECKLESS DRIVING

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-44; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2004 8 TO ESTABLISH NON-JUDICIAL FINE FOR VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 3402 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE

COUNCIL MEMBER ROGERS MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2022-2 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2022-44. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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**2.2 • RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO CITY COMMISSIONS**

Mayor Croft stated that the appointments to City Commissions would be continued until after the results of the election held on June 7, 2022, had been certified.

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### **3.1 • AWARD OF BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT NO. 2022-2, WELL 13A TREATMENT FACILITY (PHASE 2)**

Max Withrow, Assistant Director of Public Works, made a presentation based on the report in the agenda pertaining to the construction of a treatment facility for Well 13A located in Candleverde Park at the southwest corner of Palo Verde Avenue and Candlewood Street. He stated it was staff's recommendation that the City Council award a contract in the amount of \$968,000 to Canyon Springs Enterprises of Hemet and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract in a form approved by the City Attorney; appropriate \$1,300,000 in Water Fund Reserves for construction; authorize staff to approve a cumulative total of contract change orders, as needed, not to exceed \$150,000; authorize staff to execute Willdan's proposal to provide construction inspection for an amount of \$71,560; and adopt the plans, specifications and working details for the project.

VICE MAYOR PE MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER STUCKEY SECONDED TO APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

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

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

Leonard Whitehead, Lakewood, addressed the City Council regarding Council compensation.

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Croft adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m. to Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC  
City Clerk