



## LAKESWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, August 3, 2020

City of Lakewood

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### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 7 – Mayor Anderson, Deputy Mayor Jason Whalen; Councilmembers Mary Moss, Mike Brandstetter, John Simpson, Linda Farmer and Paul Bocchi.

Deputy Mayor Whalen arrived at 7:01 p.m.

### PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

#### **Clover Park School District Report.**

Dr. Mary Schafer, President, Clover Park School District (CPSD) reported that the Board will hold a special meeting on Wednesday to discuss and make recommendations regarding the 2020-2021 school year which will begin virtually. He shared that the District is working to meet needs of students in the areas of academic education, virtual and digital skills. He shared that a hybrid teaching model has been developed to allow the district to flip between in person and virtual instruction as needed and additional support will be available to those with Individualized Education Programs or in need of technology support. Discussion ensued related to funds allocated for meals, access to Wi-Fi and high-speed broadband services.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

*Alice Fong, Lakewood resident*, thanked the City Council for their service and leading the City through the pandemic.

### C O N S E N T   A G E N D A

- A. Approval of the minutes of the City Council study session of July 13, 2020.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 20, 2020.

- C. Approval of claims vouchers, in the amount of \$2,732,266.68, for the period of June 16, 2020 through July 16, 2020.
- D. Approval of payroll checks, in the amount of \$2,505,836.24, for the period of June 16, 2020 through July 15, 2020.
- E. Motion No. 2020-38  
Appointing the 2020-2021 Youth Councilmembers.
- F. Motion No. 2020-39  
Amending the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) CARES Act Program.
- G. Items filed in the Office of the City Clerk:  
1. Planning Commission meeting minutes of June 3, 2020.

COUNCILMEMBER MOSS MOVED ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## R E G U L A R A G E N D A

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

### NEW BUSINESS

**Motion No. 2020-40 Selection of Non-Law Enforcement Community Representatives to represent the City of Lakewood in officer involved deadly use of force investigations.**

COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON MOVED TO ADOPT MOTION NO. 2020-40, SELECTING LARRY WOODS AND JUANITA BEARD TO SERVE AS THE NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN MOVED TO SELECT JULIUS BROWN TO SERVE AS A NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER****JBLM North Access Improvement Design Project Update.**

Public Works Engineering Director Bucich provided an update on the JBLM North Access Improvement project noting that it is at 90% design completion. He shared that the City submitted a proposal for this project to the Defense Communities Infrastructure Program (DCIP) in June and a decision will be made as to which projects will be funded by August 7<sup>th</sup>. He shared that it is recommended that a contract amendment, in the amount of \$65,000, be approved to bring the project to 100% design. The requested amendment will come forward for approval at the August 17<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. Discussion ensued.

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City Manager Caulfield reported that the Open Public Meeting Act (OPMA) waiver was extended through September 1<sup>st</sup>.

He shared that the Legal Department has a hearing in Pierce County Superior Court related to the former QFC property litigation case.

He shared that the City of Lakewood was recommended by the Governor to be pursued as a location for the United States Space Command. The City will work with the United States Air Force and Joint Base Lewis McChord on an application packet.

He shared that he met with the Sound Transit CEO regarding the Point Defiance Bypass Rail. He noted that AmTrak and WSDOT Rail will not be able to resume services on the track until additional safety measures as outlined by Sound Transit and National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) have been completed. It is anticipated that an update from Sound Transit will be scheduled for a future City Council study session.

He shared that the CARES Act funds have been allocated to a variety of human services, social services and small businesses. He shared that the lottery was conducted for the business grants and will be updated on the dashboard and the City is reviewing options to make funds available for childcare providers.

He reported that conversations continue to with Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) representatives related to the Western State Hospital Master Plan specific to bed counts and the projects redevelopment phasing.

He shared that sales tax revenue was received for the month of May, 2020 which exceeded budget estimates and the Lodging Tax application process kicked off today and applications are due on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilmember Brandstetter questioned when the City Council will need to complete the City Manager's annual evaluation.

Councilmember Moss commented on the Veterans Drive improvement project.

Councilmember Farmer shared that she attended the North Lakewood Neighborhood Association virtual meeting last week.

Councilmember Simpson commented on streamlining the City Manager's annual evaluation process given the virtual environment.

Councilmember Bocchi commented on the progress of the Onyx Drive improvement project.

Deputy Mayor Whalen commented on the various road improvement projects throughout the city.

Mayor Anderson also commented on the Veterans Drive improvement project. He shared that the South Sound Military and Community Partnership (SSMCP) video highlighting the economic impact of JBLM will be updated and Pierce County allocated \$325,000 for a rental assistance program of which Lakewood residents will benefit from due to data generated by the Rental Housing Safety Program (RHSP).

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

  
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DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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BRIANA SCHUMACHER  
CITY CLERK