



LAKWOOD CITY RETREAT MINUTES

Saturday, March 7, 2020
City of Lakewood
City Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

City Manager Caulfield shared that the purpose of today's meeting is to identify City Council priorities for the 2021-2022 biennium. He reviewed accomplishments from 2018 to present and highlighted major policy projects and critical issues facing the city.

Senior Policy Analyst Kelley-Fong introduced herself. She shared the ground rules and the City Council agreed to have meaningful discussion and to respect each other.

The City Councilmembers participated in an icebreaker activity and shared why they serve, reflected on the past two years and highlighted accomplishments that they are most proud of which include updates to 18A Land Use and Development Code, the Colonial Plaza project, Rental Housing Safety Program, the subarea planning process, gateways, parks and street improvements, communications related to adult family homes and the South Sound Military and Communities Partnership. Discussion ensued.

Council recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:20 a.m.

Senior Policy Analyst Kelley-Fong then reviewed challenges and critical issues facing the city in the areas of economic development, dependable infrastructure, public safety, fiscal responsibility and transparency. Discussion ensued related to what short and long term success looks like within the areas identified, a review of prior goal and priority areas and consideration of the addition of a goal area related to human services.

The City Council then completed a survey ranking their identified priorities from most to least important. Senior Policy Analyst Kelley-Fong then reviewed survey results in each of the goal areas and shared that next steps will be to consolidate information

discussed and schedule another meeting to review on a Wednesday evening starting at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:21 p.m.



DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK