



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSION MINUTES

Monday, July 8, 2019
City of Lakewood
City Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 5 – Mayor Don Anderson; Deputy Mayor Jason Whalen; Councilmembers Mike Brandstetter, John Simpson and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmembers Excused: 2 – Councilmember Mary Moss and Marie Barth.

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee members Present: 3 – Linda Smith, Chelene Potvin-Bird and Philip Raschke.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Hazard Mitigation Plan Update.

Ms. Debbie Bailey, Pierce County Emergency Management reported that the City has a five year Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Plan that is approved through July, 2020. In order to continue to be eligible for competitive grant funding the plan must be reviewed and updated every five years. The process for updating has begun and will be submitted to the State for review and approval by the end of 2019. It is expected that the updates will be formally adopted in 2020. She reported that there are 80 participating partners in Pierce County and planning efforts are broken down into regional groups. Discussion ensued relative to updates to the plan, including the flood map and options for public engagement in the process.

Joint Lodging Tax Advisory Committee meeting.

Ms. Linda Smith, Lakewood Chamber thanked the City for their continued partnership. She shared that a new program, The Nights of Lights, will be highlighted this holiday season in Lakewood. Ms. Potvin-Bird, Travel Tacoma and Pierce County, shared that in 2020 Travel Tacoma and Pierce County and Tacoma Sports Commission and will merge. She spoke about the STR report that reviews all events that generate occupancy rates and options for leveraging local

partnerships to maximizing opportunities in the City. Mr. Phil Raschke then highlighted 2018 events coordinated by the Lakewood Playhouse and Lakewood Historical Society. Discussion ensued on ways to promote activities, increase tourism and draw events to Lakewood.

Six Year (2019-2024) Information Technology Strategic Plan Update.

Information Technology Manager White provided an update on projects that were completed in 2018 and reviewed current projects and those scheduled for 2019. Discussion ensued.

ITEMS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR THE JULY 15, 2019 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

1. Police Commissioning Ceremony.
2. Proclamation declaring July 27, 2019 as Pierce County Trails Day. – *Mr. Larry Leveen, Forever Green Trails*
3. Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, in the amount of \$621,000, relative to the Western State Hospital community partnership program. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
4. Authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, in the amount of \$90,000, relative to the Western State Hospital police protection program. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
5. Appointing Carroll Ray Dodson to serve on the Public Safety Advisory Committee through August 6, 2022. – (Motion – Consent Agenda)
6. Approval of the special assessment roll for the American Lake – Lake Management District No.1. – (Resolution – Consent Agenda)
7. Renewing interim controls initially adopted January 22, 2019 governing Wireless Service Facilities. – (Ordinance – Regular Agenda)
8. Adopting amendments to the Lakewood Comprehensive Plan, including the future land use and zoning map, and Lakewood Municipal Code Title 18A. – (Ordinance – Regular Agenda)

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

Acting City Manager Kraus highlighted the itinerary for Sister City delegates visiting Lakewood from Okinawa City, Japan and Gimhae, South Korea from July 11th – July 17th.

She then announced the following meetings and events:

- July 12, 11:00 A.M., 62d Operations Group Change of Command Ceremony, Hanger 9 McChord Field
- July 13, 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 P.M., SummerFEST and SummerFEST Triathlon, Fort Steilacoom Park and American Lake Park

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Bocchi commented on amendments to the Comprehensive Plan scheduled for July 15th and shared that he plans to attend the Welcome Dinner for Okinawa City and SummerFEST. He also share positive comments related to the Colonial Plaza project improvements.

Councilmember Simpson echoed remarks regarding the Colonial Plaza project improvements. He shared that he attended the Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board meeting and open house on June 27th where the Oak Park Neighborhood survey findings were presented.

Deputy Mayor Whalen shared that he attended the Samoa Cultural Day last week and is scheduled to meet with the Artist Perri Howard this week to discuss the Colonial Center art project design.

Mayor Anderson shared that last week he attended Generals Volesky's July 4th Reception and Salute to the Union and Samoa Cultural Day.

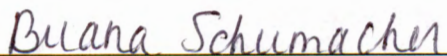
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.



DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK