



JOINT LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL AND STATE LEGISLATORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 2, 2020

City of Lakewood

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

State Legislators Present: 4 – Senator Conway, Representative Kirby, Representative Leavitt and Representative-Elect Bronoske

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Review of 2021-2022 State Legislative Agenda and Legislative Policy Manual.

Mayor Don Anderson welcomed those in attendance and shared that the purpose of the meeting is highlight the City's legislative agenda.

Legislative Agenda Review

Ms. Murray, Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs, highlighted the City's legislative agenda items which includes a request to authorize tax increment financing (TIF) specifically for Lakewood Landing, a 25 acre redevelopment project located along Interstate 5. Ms. Helder, Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs, shared that since 2007 the City has operated the Community Policing Program at Western State Hospital and requests \$621,000 in funding to continue this program.

Janne Hutchinson, CEO of Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) and Joyce Loveday, LASA Board Chair joined the meeting. Ms. Loveday highlighted the history of the agency and shared that they provide housing assistance, emergency sheltering, case management, emergency rental and utility assistance. She shared that LASA is requesting legislative support on an expansion of the client services center to provide services to the homeless population with access laundry and restroom services as well as a warming and cooling center.

Ms. Helder then shared that the City is requesting funding to complete safety and

access improvements at both Wards Lake Park and American Lake Park. She then shared that the City requests the Legislature allocate \$250,000 for a Multimodal Transportation Study to consider solutions to increase connectivity along the I-5 corridor.

Policy Manual Review

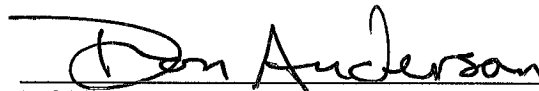
Ms. Helder then highlighted the City's Legislative Policy Manual. Ms. Helder shared that the City requests ongoing funding for the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP), Aquatic Land Enhancement Fund (ALEA) and Youth Athletic Fund (YAF). In addition, fiscal support for COVID-19 specifically greater flexibility with restricted revenues and protection of state-shared revenues and Adult Family Homes.

She shared that the City also supports South Sound Military Community Partnership (SSMCP) legislative priorities including improvements along the I-5 corridor from Mounts Road to Tumwater along the Nisqually River Delta and full funding of the Defense Community Compatibility Account. Discussion ensued.

The State Legislatures then provided an overview of their primary focus and priorities for this legislative session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK