



LAKESWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, July 6, 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.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

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 June 8, 2020.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of June 15, 2020.
- C. Approval of the minutes of the City Council study session of June 22, 2020.
- D. Approval of claims vouchers, in the amount of \$2,502,753.95, for the period of May 16, 2020 through June 15, 2020.
- E. Approval of payroll checks, in the amount of \$2,371,698.79, for the period of May 16, 2020 through June 15, 2020.
- F. Motion No. 2020-33

Authorizing the execution of a contract with Communities in Schools (CIS) to disburse \$50,000 in Coronavirus Relief Fund Monies.

G. Motion No. 2020-34

Authorizing the execution of a contract with Living Access Support Alliance (LASA) to disburse \$275,000 in Coronavirus Relief Fund Monies.

H. Motion No. 2020-35

Authorizing the execution of a contract with West Pierce Fire and Rescue to disburse \$142,000 in Coronavirus Relief Fund Monies.

Mayor Anderson requested Item No. F, Motion No. 2020-33 and Item No. G, Motion No. 2020-34 be removed from the Consent Agenda.

COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM NO. A THROUGH ITEM NO. E AND ITEM NO. H. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER FARMER. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCILMEMBER MOSS MOVED TO CONTINUE ITEM NO. F, MOTION NO. 2020-33 TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020. SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON MOVED CONTINUE ITEM NO. G, MOTION NO. 2020-34 TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MONDAY, JULY 20, 2020. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER FARMER. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND APPEALS

This is the date set for a public hearing to consider the proposed vacation of the easterly fifty-six (56) feet of 148th Street SW right-of-way east of the intersection with Murray Rd SW.

Shelley Hull, Lakewood resident, provided written comments which were provided on page 105 of the City Council meeting agenda of July 6, 2020.

There being no further testimony, the public hearing was declared closed at 7:18 p.m.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 738 Adopting amendments to Titles 1, 12, 14, 15, 17, and 18A of the Lakewood Municipal Code (LMC) and replacing LMC Chapter 3.64 with a new Chapter 3.64 titled Property Tax Exemptions for Multifamily Housing.

DEPUTY MAYOR WHALEN MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 738.
SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER**Review of application of Admission Tax to golf courses.**

City Attorney Wachter shared that the City collects admission tax as authorized by state law and there is one golf course in the City, Oakbrook Golf Course, that the tax applies although to date has not been collected. Discussion ensued and it was recommended that the tax be levied beginning in the 4th Quarter 2020.

City Manager Caulfield shared that Western State Hospital is not interested in pursuing preemptive local zoning authority and comments on the Master Facility Plan Update continue to be accepted through July 10th.

He shared that Pierce County continues to operate in Phase 2 and starting next week the Tacoma Pierce County Health Department will begin using mobile testing trailers in various locations throughout the County and it is anticipated they will coordinate a site in the Springbrook Neighborhood.

He then reported that CARES Act funding is available to Washington State Courts and the Municipal Court will review the application process and eligibility requirements for potential reimbursement for COVID-19 expenses.

He shared that applications for the City's COVID-19 loan and grant programs opened on July 1st and to date 43 applications were received for the Small Business Relief Grant program and 2 applications were received for CDBG Loan Program.

He shared that Pierce County has allocated \$4.2 Million in grant funds for a new emergency homeless shelter, they are coordinating with cities to develop a plan and more information will come forward as discussions continue.

He then reported that the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has allocated \$1 Billion in grant funding for infrastructure projects and the Public Works Engineering Department has identified ten projects that would be competitive and the City will pursue applications for funding.

He shared that the Summer Concert Series at Fort Steilacoom Park have been postponed until Pierce County is in Phase 3, Development Services permit activity continues at a steady rate, Waughop Lake will be treated with the second round of alum next week and 62% of Lakewood residents have responded to the 2020 Census.

He shared that an application was submitted to the Office of Economic Adjustment requesting \$9.4 Million for the JBLM North Access Project and it is expected that grants will be awarded in mid-September.

He then commented that calls for service on the 4th of July were routine. The Police Department and West Pierce Fire and Rescue reported 14 fireworks related fires of which 12 were in Lakewood, all grass or brush related, with no reported injuries. It is anticipated that on July 20th the City Council will continue the public hearing related to fireworks to a date certain in September to allow for in person live testimony.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Farmer requested an update or dashboard that tracks the number of applications and monies dispersed for the small business loan and grant programs. She commented on the use of motorized vehicles in Fort Steilacoom Park and it is requested that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board research use of motorized vehicles in City parks and provide a recommendation to Council.

Councilmember Moss shared that last week she attended the virtual Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Conference.

Councilmember Brandstetter noted that Spanaway Lake is experiencing a toxic algae bloom and after treatment there is no indication of a toxic algae bloom in Waughop Lake. He shared that he also attended the virtual Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Conference where Councilmember Keel of University Place was elected as Vice-President and the Mayor of Twisp was elected as President. He commented that the AWC Statement of Policy, passed by the majority, included support for greater regionalization regarding GMA. He reported the Pierce County Planning Commission is accepting comments and will hold a public hearing on the 28th regarding the moratorium and recommendations for siting Enhanced Services Facilities.

Deputy Mayor Whalen commented on fireworks throughout the City in the days surrounding the 4th of July.

Mayor Anderson shared that COVID-19 mobile trailers are operated by the Pierce County Department of Emergency Management and testing will be provided by existing medical providers.

Executive Session

Mayor Anderson announced that Council will recess into Executive Session for approximately 20 minutes pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. The Council is not expected to take action following the Executive Session.

Council recessed into Executive Session at 8:23 p.m. and reconvened at 8:49 p.m.

Closed Session

Mayor Anderson announced that Council will move into a Closed Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4) to discuss employee relations.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.



DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK