



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday, March 4, 2019
City of Lakewood
City Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, WA 98499

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: 6 – Deputy Mayor Jason Whalen; Councilmembers Mary Moss, Mike Brandstetter, John Simpson, Marie Barth and Paul Bocchi.

Councilmembers Excused: 1 – Mayor Anderson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deputy Mayor Whalen.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation declaring March 11-15, 2019 as Classified School Employees week.

COUNCILMEMBER BRANDSTETTER PRESENTED A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MARCH 11-15, 2019 AS CLASSIFIED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES WEEK TO CLOVER PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT CAROLE JACOBS.

Youth Council Report.

Youth Councilmember Lynesse Cammack provided an updated on the various agenda items scheduled for the Youth Council Summit which is being held on April 13 2019 at the Lakewood Boys and Girls Club. Youth Councilmembers then reported on various high school activities and events.

Clover Park School District Report.

Clover Park School District (CPSD) Board Vice-President Jacobs reported that the superintendent recruitment process has concluded. Mr. Ron Banner has been

selected as the CPSD Superintendent starting July 1, 2019. She provided information regarding the Cops with Kids Art Contest, the STEM Fair that was held at Harrison Prep, and dates for kindergarten registration. She then shared that the first day of school for the 2019-2020 school year is August 28, 2019. Mr. Banner then introduced himself.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking before the Council were:

Dennis Haugen, Lakewood resident spoke about President Trump and border control.

Catherine Forte, Lakewood resident spoke about enforcement of dogs off leash in Fort Steilacoom Park.

David Forte, Lakewood resident spoke about enforcement of dogs off leash in Fort Steilacoom Park.

Preston Carter, Lakewood resident spoke about graffiti on public and private properties and its impact on economic development.

Mike Larson, Allen Realtors, spoke about graffiti and vandalism on his business property.

Glen Speith, Lakewood resident spoke about graffiti in the community.

Ron Lucas, Mayor, Town of Steilacoom, spoke about attending the Youth Council meeting and phase one of the Steilacoom Boulevard project.

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 February 12, 2019.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the City Council meeting of February 19, 2019.
- C. Approval of payroll checks, in the amount of \$2,433,409.19, for the period of January 16, 2019 through February 15, 2019.
- D. Approval of claims vouchers, in the amount of \$2,423,091.83, for the period of January 26, 2019 through February 15, 2019.
- E. Motion No. 2019-13

Appointing William Elder to serve on the Lakewood Arts Commission through October 15, 2020.

F. Items Filed in the Office of the City Clerk:

1. Planning Commission meeting minutes of February 6, 2019.

COUNCILMEMBER BARTH MOVED TO 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

ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 704 Adopting amendments to Lakewood Municipal Code Chapters 1.36, 18A.02, 18A.40, 18A.50, and 18A.90 and adopting Lakewood Municipal Code Chapter 1.38 related to quasi-judicial hearing processes and site-specific zoning map amendments.

COUNCILMEMBER BOCCHI MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 704. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON.

COUNCILMEMBER BRANDSTETTER MOVED TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 704, AT LMC 1.38.020 (K) TO READ, "K. "COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE CITY'S COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, ITS DIRECTOR, OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE AND AT LMC 1.38.080 (D) TO READ, "D. FOLLOWING ARGUMENT BY THE PARTIES, THE COUNCIL MAY REQUEST SUCH FURTHER CLARIFICATION FROM THE EXAMINER, CITY STAFF, OR THE PARTIES AS IT DEEMS NECESSARY TO FULLY CONSIDER THE CASE, PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT IF THE ANSWER TO SUCH QUESTIONS REQUIRES KNOWLEDGE OF FACTUAL EVIDENCE WHICH IS NOT CONTAINED IN THE RECORD, SUCH QUESTIONS SHALL BE STRICKEN. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER BARTH. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE MOTION AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE AMENDED ORDINANCE NO. 704 AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ordinance No. 705 Adopting an ordinance relating to contracting indebtedness; providing for the issuance, sale and delivery of not to exceed \$18,200,000 aggregate principal amount of limited tax general obligation bonds to provide funds to finance transportation projects and the costs of issuance of the bonds; fixing or setting parameters with respect to certain terms and covenants of the bonds; appointing the City's designated representative to approve the final terms of the sale of the bonds; and providing for other related matters.

COUNCILMEMBER SIMPSON MOVED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 705. SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER MOSS. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS BY THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Caulfield reported that two restaurants in the City were closed this week due to a norovirus outbreak.

He reported that the City received a WellCity grant and recognized the Wellness Committee for their work.

He reported that we expect to launch the City's new website this week.

He reported that the Senior Center Grant Audit was completed last week. The audit went well and we expect a written report next month with no findings.

He reported that the Community and Economic Development Department is requesting that the City allocate \$88,000 in HOME Investment Partnership Program funds to Tacoma-Pierce County Habitat for Humanity for the acquisition and redevelopment of 2616 92nd St. S for affordable housing. A review of the request is scheduled for Council review during the March 11th study session.

He reported that Youth Councilmember Katie Wilton has applied for the AWC Quality Communities Scholarship.

He then reported that we were contacted last week by DSHS requesting a meeting to talk, about their proposal to build a new Western State Hospital. We have a scheduled the meeting for March 12th.

He then shared that on February 27th, Pierce County Executive Bruce Dammeier facilitated a discussion amongst representatives from Pierce County, Kitsap County and Snohomish County. The objective is to establish a way for our regions to work together to both understand PSRC's decision process as well as to identify ways to work together and identify common goals. A key outcome of the meeting is the formation of a 12-member Executive Committee with 4 representatives from each County that will meet every 4-6 weeks.

He then reported that the PSRC Board certified the Lakewood Downtown Subarea Plan.

He then reported that the Hearing Examiner issued a decision on the Conditional Use Permit hearing for the Starlite Distribution Center occurred on February 19, 2019.

He reported that the Park and Recreation Advisory Board discussed the service club sign project again at their February 26, 2019 board meeting and selected one of the City Council approved sites as the preferred location for the North Bridgeport Gateway.

He then reported that Building Official is retiring on April 1st. We have 9 candidates qualified for the position. As part of the 2019-2020 adopted biennial budget, Assistant City Manager Bugher has been partnering with the WA State Veterans Affairs to establish a building inspector apprenticeship program. He will be meeting with the WA Department of Veterans Affairs to begin development of the program.

He shared that the Sound Transit Board has allocated \$100 million to provide local jurisdictions the means to provide better connections to the Sound Transit facilities as part of the System Access Funding. We will be submitting a funding request, estimated to be approximately \$1.3 million, for sidewalk and road improvements along 112th/111th St SW between Bridgeport and Lakeview Avenue SW, north of the Lakewood transit Center.

He then reported that Congress is having discussions about reinstating earmarks. If earmarks come back, we have project ready which is the completion of sidewalks along Lakewood Drive between Steilacoom Boulevard and Flett Creek.

He reported that Congressman Rick Larsen plans to again reintroduce a bill that would allocate a portion of BUILD monies to medium size cities, currently defined as population 15,000 to 50,000. We have proposed a change to the population be increased to 75,000 to 100,000 to allow more medium size cities to compete. We have been asked to join a working group of 13 similarly sized cities from Oregon and Washington to work on this.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Simpson commented on the Oak Park Neighborhood presentation at the Landmarks & Heritage Advisory Board meeting last week.

Councilmember Bocchi commented that he will be attending the Economic Development Boards Annual Meeting this week and shared about the Youth Council meeting he attended and the importance engaging those members who attend various board, committee or commission meetings.

Deputy Mayor Whalen commented on the potential for opening City Hall as a warming station during weather related events.

Closed Session

Deputy Mayor Whalen announced that Council will recess into Closed Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) to discuss employee relations. Requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act do not apply to closed sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.



JASON WHALEN, DEPUTY MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK