



LAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL RETREAT MINUTES

Saturday, March 27, 2021
Lakewood City Hall
Council Chambers
6000 Main Street SW
Lakewood, Washington 98499

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 8:37 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

City Manager Caulfield welcomed the City Council and shared that today's meeting is a follow up to the March 7, 2020 retreat and the purpose is to identify and set City Council goals and priorities for 2021-2022. He then introduced facilitator Ms. Shannon Kelley-Fong, Assistant City Manager for the City of Lacey.

Ms. Kelley-Fong led the City Council through an icebreaker activity, which was a team activity through a socially distanced obstacle course.

She then reviewed the ground rules for today's meeting. City Council members then reflected on the past year sharing what they have learned personally and on the City Council.

City Manager Caulfield reviewed the City's 2020 accomplishments highlighting the responsiveness and communications related to COVID-19, treatment of alum at American Lake, economic development initiatives, the launching of the Build Your Better Here campaign.

Ms. Kelley-Fong then reviewed responses to City Council priorities that were identified at the March, 2020 City Council Retreat.

At 9:45 a.m., the City Council recessed and reconvened at 9:55 a.m.

Planning Manager Tiffany Speir provided an overview of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). She reviewed options and strategies for allocating ARPA funding noting that the City has until December 31, 2024 to expend these funds.

Discussion ensued related to funding priorities and the City Council each identified key projects and areas of focus for both internal and external uses of the funding.

At 11:57 a.m., the City Council recessed and reconvened at 12:10 p.m.

Ms. Kelley-Fong highlighted the city's diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts to date. Discussion ensued related to the City Council's diversity, equity and inclusion goals and priorities. After further discussion, the City Council requested that a follow-up Retreat be scheduled for Saturday, May 22, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.



DON ANDERSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRIANA SCHUMACHER
CITY CLERK