



Minutes

Lakewood City Council

Regular Meeting held
June 10, 2025

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Rogers in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, California.

INVOCATION was offered by Reverend Dr. Candace Kelly, Acts Community Bible Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Scout Pack 134

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Mayor Todd Rogers
Vice Mayor Cassandra Chase
Council Member David Arellano
Council Member Steve Croft
Council Member Jeff Wood

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Rogers announced that his Council colleagues and he had recently joined original Lakewood resident, Bertha Martinez, along with her family and friends, to celebrate her 100th birthday. The Mayor stated that LA County had an eventful past few days, with clashes between protestors and federal immigration officials and law enforcement personnel. Mayor Rogers noted that the current month had two special commemorations, which included LGBTQ Pride Month and the observance of Juneteenth, the oldest known celebration to commemorate the end of slavery in the country. He announced the Red Cross Blood Drive to be held the following day at The Centre.

Council Member Arellano stated his recent attendance at the League of California Cities Board meeting.

Council Member Croft noted the peaceful protest recently conducted by the local group, Lakewood Indivisible.

Council Member Wood reported on his attendance at a recent Eagle Court ceremony for Theo Crepeau of Troop 134; at the recent Concert in the Park; and at the pop-up event for Boba Bestie.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS IN THE AGENDA:

Phillip Norris, Lakewood, voiced concerns about street closures and trash collection.

Sally Tanaka spoke about street closure permits.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS IN THE AGENDA: - Continued

Luis Macias, Lakewood, addressed the City Council regarding trash services.

Carson Luize spoke about transit, infrastructure and traffic issues.

ROUTINE ITEMS:

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR CHASE SECONDED TO APPROVE ROUTINE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10.

RI-1 Approval of Personnel Transactions

RI-2 Approval of Registers of Demands

RI-3 Approval of Street Closures for July 4th Block Parties

RI-4 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-18; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING DISABLED PERSON DESIGNATED PARKING ON THE SOUTH SIDE THE SOUTH SERVICE ROAD OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD

RI-5 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 2025-3, FY24-25 CDBG ADA Ramp Replacements

RI-6 Acceptance of Notice of Completion for Public Works Project No. 2023-2, Civic Center Counter Improvements at Community Development/Public Works

RI-7 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-19; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADOPTING A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 FUNDED BY SB 1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2017

RI-8 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-20; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD TO AMEND THE LAKEWOOD PARKING VIOLATION BAIL SCHEDULE TO INCLUDE A PARKING PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS OF CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE SECTION 22500(n)(1)(A) - "DAYLIGHTING" REGULATION

RI-9 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-21; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND FOR THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD'S BLOOMFIELD PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

RI-10 Approval of Memoranda of Understanding for Proposition A Discretionary Grant Program for Collecting and Reporting Data for the National Transit Database for Report Years 2021 and 2022

ROUTINE ITEMS: - Continued

UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wood, Croft, Arellano, Chase and Rogers

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.1 • AMENDMENT FOR REFUSE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING SERVICES WITH EDCO WASTE SERVICES AND RESIDENTIAL REFUSE RATE ADJUSTMENT

Jose Gomez, Director of Finance and Administrative Services, made a presentation based on the report in the agenda explaining that EDCO Waste Services provided automated curbside recycling and refuse collection services in the City and that in preparation for EDCO's annual contractual rate amendment, the Environmental Management Committee had previously met with City staff and EDCO. He stated it was staff's recommendation that the City Council approve the 2025 Amendment to the 2009 Agreement with EDCO Waste Services, LLC and authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment in a form approved by the City Attorney; hold a public hearing and adopt the proposed resolution.

Mark Perumean, General Manager at EDCO, discussed the complications associated with the closure of various landfill locations and the impact to the region.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 8:20 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter.

Phillip Norris, Lakewood, voiced concerns regarding scavengers and increased costs.

Sally Tanaka spoke about cost increases.

Mr. Whitehead suggested solicitation of bids at the end of the contract term.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-22; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD TO ESTABLISH RESIDENTIAL REFUSE RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ARELLANO SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE THE 2025 AMENDMENT TO THE 2009 AGREEMENT WITH EDCO WASTE SERVICES, LLC AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE AMENDMENT IN A FORM APPROVED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2025-22. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wood, Croft, Arellano, Chase and Rogers

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.2 • CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26

Thaddeus McCormack, City Manager, and Jose Gomez, Director of Finance and Administrative Services, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda. Mr. Gomez highlighted the City's budget principles of prudent fiscal management, strong financial oversight and living within our means; historic budget strategy; Measure L benefits; regional financial outlook; general fund budget; the City's financial outlook; FY2025-26 general fund revenues; noteworthy revenues; FY2025-26 departmental expenditures; proposed personnel adjustments; noteworthy expenditure adjustments; water utility fund budget; noteworthy water budget items; and budget summary.

Steve Skolnik, for the City Attorney, stated that the memo to the City Council explained the actions necessary to implement the budget. He advised that all of the budget items could be considered at the same public hearing and adopted by a single roll call vote.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 9:09 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter.

Phillip Norris, Lakewood, spoke about administrative costs and calculations.

Sally Tanaka spoke about law enforcement contract costs.

Carson Luize spoke about housing and homelessness programs.

Council Members commended staff for their diligent efforts in preparation of the report and managing a sound budget while maintaining the City's values and quality of life.

- c. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-23; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25, AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF RESERVE FUNDS INTO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2025
- d. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-24; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD DETERMINING THE TOTAL ANNUAL APPROPRIATION SUBJECT TO LIMITATION OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-26
- e. RESOLUTION NO. 2025-25; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING REVENUE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26
 - 1) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1862 PERTAINING TO RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, AND FOR ITS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
 - 2) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-27; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ADDING JOB CLASSIFICATIONS IN ATTACHMENT B OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-25

1.2 • CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FY 2025-26 - Continued

3) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-28; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD ESTABLISHING PAYING AND REPORTING THE VALUE OF EMPLOYER PAID MEMBER CONTRIBUTION FOR CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

4) Agreement for a Community Recreation Program with the ABC Unified School District

5) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-29; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AND COMMUNITY FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER PROVIDING COUNSELING SERVICES FOR FAMILIES AND JUVENILE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

6) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-30; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AND THE HUMAN SERVICES ASSOCIATION (HSA) TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR SENIOR ADULT RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

7) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-31; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AND MEALS ON WHEELS OF LONG BEACH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

8) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-32; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD RENEWING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AND THE PATHWAYS VOLUNTEER HOSPICE, INC. PROVIDING SERVICES FOR TERMINALLY ILL RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026

9) Agreement for Telecommunications Services with Abilita LA

10) Amendment to Agreement for Publication of Recreation and Community Services Catalog with Advantage Mailing, LLC

11) Agreement with ALS Group U.S.A. for Water Quality Testing Services

12) Amendment to Engineering Services Agreement with Ardurra Group Inc.

13) Agreement for Engineering Services with Associated Soils Engineering, Inc.

14) Agreement with Atlantic Aviation for Fuel Services

15) Amendment to Agreement for On-Call Services for Well and Booster Pump Maintenance with Bakersfield Well & Pump Co.

1.2 • CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FY 2025-26 - Continued

- 16) Agreement with Bucknam Infrastructure Group for Annual GIS Support Services
- 17) Amendment to Agreement for On-Call Consulting Services with Cannon Corporation
- 18) Service Agreement with Care Solace, Inc.
- 19) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-33; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AMENDING THE AGREEMENT WITH THE GREATER LAKEWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
- 20) Agreement for Hardscape Maintenance with CJ Construction
- 21) Agreement for On-Call Engineering Services with Craftwater Engineering
- 22) Agreement for On-Call Architectural Services with Dahlin Group
- 23) Agreement with Dekra-Lite for Centre Decor
- 24) Memorandum Of Understanding with Diamond Environmental Services
- 25) Amendment to Agreement with Dive/Corr, Inc. for Water Storage Facility Inspection and Maintenance
- 26) Amendment to Agreement with Doty Bros Construction for On-Call Emergency Utility Repairs
- 27) Agreement for Youth Transportation Services with Durham School Services
- 28) Amending The Rate for Bin and Special Refuse Services
- 29) Agreement for On-Call Electrical Engineering Services with FBA Engineering
- 30) Agreement with Flex Painting – Fix-Up Paint-Up Program
- 31) Agreement for Storm Water Services with G2 Construction, Inc.
- 32) Amendment to Agreement with Greene Backflow for Annual Backflow Testing and Repair Services
- 33) Amendment to Agreement with City of Hawaiian Gardens for Helicopter Patrol Services
- 34) Agreement with Homeless Liaison, LLC for Homeless Services Liaison
- 35) Agreement with Housing Rights Center for Fair Housing Consulting Services

1.2 • CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FY 2025-26 - Continued

36) Agreement for Fire and Burglar Security Systems Monitoring and Maintenance Services with JMG Security Systems Inc.

37) Agreement for Storm Water Services with John L. Hunter & Associates

38) Agreement with Kiley and Associates for Federal Governmental Relations Services

39) Agreement for Median Landscape Maintenance and Mowing Services of City Facilities with Landcare

40) Agreement for Elevator Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services with Liftech Elevator Services, Inc.

41) Agreements for Long Beach Transit Fixed Route Subsidy and Dial A Lift Services

42) Amendment to Agreement with Los Angeles County for Community Prosecutor Program

43) Agreement for Transportation Planning and Engineering Services with LSA Associates, Inc.

44) Agreement with Macerich Lakewood LP for Law Enforcement Services at Lakewood Center Mall

45) Agreement with Macerich Lakewood LP for Supplemental Law Enforcement Services at Lakewood Center Mall

46) Amendment to Agreement with Macro Automatics for Scada System Maintenance

47) Vendor Agreement with Meals On Wheels of Long Beach

48) Professional Service Agreement with Michael Raneses Administrative Hearings

49) Agreement for Engineering and Traffic Survey Services with Newport Traffic Studies

50) Agreement for Environmental Consulting Services with Nicholls Consulting

51) Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with O.C. Vacuum Environmental Services for Maintenance of Stormwater Capture Facilities

52) Agreement for On-Call Hazardous Waste Removal Services with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc.

53) Amendment to Agreement with Oscar's Electric, Inc. for On Call Electrical Services

1.2 • CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FY 2025-26 - Continued

- 54) Health and Safety Consulting Service Agreement with Pacific EH&S Service, Inc.
- 55) Agreement for Traffic Striping Maintenance Services with PCI
- 56) Consultant Services Agreement with Permitech Solutions
- 57) Agreement for On-Call Mechanical and Plumbing Engineering Services with Pocock Design Solutions Inc.
- 58) Agreement with Precision Concrete Cutting for Trip Hazard Removal Services
- 59) Amendment to Consulting Agreement with Regional Government Services Authority for Management and Administrative Services
- 60) Amendment to Agreement with Salvation Army for Bell Shelter
- 61) Agreement for Environmental Services with S.C.S. Engineers
- 62) Agreement for Street Banner Marketing Program with Sierra Installations, Inc.
- 63) Agreement for Floor and Carpet Cleaning Services with Solid Surface Care
- 64) Amendment to Agreement for Construction Consultant Services with Somers Enterprises
- 65) Amendment of Animal Control Agreement with SEAACA
- 66) License Agreement with Southern California Edison for Use of Candleverde Park
- 67) Agreement for HVAC and Refrigeration Maintenance and Repair Services with Southland Industries
- 68) Amendment to Extend Consulting Services for Mayfair Water Capture Project with Tetra Tech, Inc.
- 69) Agreements for Building Official and Building and Safety Services with TRB+ Associates and Bureau Veritas
- 70) Agreement with T2 Systems for Cloud Hosted Parking Control Software Program
- 71) Agreement with Tyler Technologies Inc. for Munis Accounting Software Licenses and Support
- 72) Agreements with Valkyrie Solutions, LLC and Lorine Alatorre for Homeless Outreach Services

1.2 • CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET REVISIONS FOR FY 2025-26 - Continued

73) Amendment to Agreement with Waterline Technologies for Delivery of 12.5% Sodium Hypochlorite

74) Purchasing Agreement with Waterline Technologies for Water Disinfectant

75) Amendment to Agreement for Tree Maintenance Services with West Coast Arborists

76) Agreement for Engineering Services with Willdan

77) Amendment to Agreement with Worldwide Recovery Systems, Inc.

COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER ARELLANO SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS NO. 2025-23, NO. 2025-24, NO. 2025-25 AND APPROVE ITEMS 1.2.e.1 THROUGH 1.2.e.77. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wood, Croft, Arellano, Chase and Rogers

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.3 • COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) - FISCAL YEAR 2025-2029 FIVE YEAR CONSOLIDATED PLAN, FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 ONE YEAR ACTION PLAN AND ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE [Continued from April 22, 2025]

Aldo Cervantes, Director of Community Development, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda. He concluded by stating that staff recommended that the City Council conduct a public hearing and following the public hearing, approve the Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Action Plan, and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice and authorize the City Manager to direct staff to submit to HUD the approved Plans along with the required CDBG certifications.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 9:38 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter.

Sally Tanaka and Carson Luize spoke about Fair Housing Choice.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE STAFF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wood, Croft, Arellano, Chase and Rogers

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

1.4 • 2025 PUBLIC HEALTH GOALS REPORT

Derek Nguyen, Director of Water Resources, displayed slides and made a presentation based on the report in the agenda and stated that provisions of California Health and Safety Code §116470(b) required that a public water system serving more than 10,000 service connections must prepare a report that provides information on the water system's water quality in relationship to the state's public health goals. It was recommended that the City Council conduct a public hearing to accept and respond to public comments on the 2025 Public Health Goals Report.

Mayor Rogers opened the public hearing at 9:52 p.m. and called for anyone in the audience wishing to address the City Council on this matter.

Sally Tanaka spoke about tap water.

Phillip Norris, Lakewood, spoke about Lakewood drinking water.

COUNCIL MEMBER CROFT MOVED AND VICE MAYOR CHASE SECONDED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ACCEPT AND RESPOND TO PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE 2025 PUBLIC HEALTH GOALS REPORT. UPON ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION WAS APPROVED:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: Wood, Croft, Arellano, Chase and Rogers

NAYS: COUNCIL MEMBERS: None

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Bert Johnson, Lakewood, addressed the City Council regarding Neighborhood Watch and its positive impacts.

Eddie Holland, Lakewood High School, invited the public to attend the high school's football games.

Phillip Norris, Lakewood, made statements about public safety.

Laurel Grzesik-Mourad, Lakewood, remarked about attracting wildlife at the nature trail.

Heather Rodriguez, Lakewood Indivisible, made comments on protecting rights and conducting a peaceful protest.

Sally Tanaka spoke about discrimination.

Luis Macias, Lakewood, addressed the City Council regarding street paving on his street.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the City Council, Mayor Rogers adjourned the meeting at 10:14 p.m. to Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Executive Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Mayberry, CMC
City Clerk