



**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF LAKEWOOD**

7:00 P.M

October 12, 2020

Minutes are not a verbatim transcription, but rather an attempt to capture the intent of the speaker by the City Clerk.

ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Paul called the **VIRTUAL MEETING** to order at 7:00 p.m.

ITEM 2 – ROLL CALL

Those present were: Mayor Adam Paul, Presiding

Anita Springsteen
Dana Gutwein
David Skilling
Jacob LaBure
Charley Able
Sharon Vincent
Mike Bieda
Ramey Johnson
Barb Franks
Karen Harrison

Absent: None.

Others in attendance: Kathy Hodgson, City Manager, Tim Cox, City Attorney

Full and timely notice of this City Council meeting had been given and a quorum was present.

ITEM 3 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and there was a moment for silent prayer.

ITEM 4 – PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Keith – Ward 5 – He talked about the weather, COVID-19 and the Sustainability Plan.

John Cantaluco – Ward 1 – He stated his support of the CRASH rocketry club. He had been with the club for about 13 years. He encouraged Council to keep the rocket club at Bear Creek Lake Park.

Doc Palmeira – Ward 5 – He spoke about an article that he read about real estate and a list of the best places to live that. He was surprised that Lakewood was not on the list. He also spoke in support of launching rockets at Bear Creek Lake Park.

John Jameson – Not a Lakewood Resident – He spoke in support of the rocket club at Bear Creek Lake Park.

Matt Morgan – Ward 4 – He stated he was the Vice President of the Colorado Rocketry Association of Space Hobbyist (CRASH). He urged Council to support rocketry at Bear Creek Lake Park.

Terry McCreary – Not a Lakewood Resident – He spoke in support of rocketry at Bear Creek Lake Park.

Matt Boyles – Denver Resident – He stated he was the President of CRASH and urged Council to support rocketry at Bear Creek Lake Park.

ITEM 5 – EXECUTIVE REPORT

Kathy Hodgson, City Manager, gave her executive report:

- She talked about Senate Bill 217, mandatory body camera program for the Police Department, and said a committee was put together consisting of the Police Department, IT Department, Finance Department and Human Resources Department. The goal was to have the program done by March 2022.
- Interviews have started for a new City Clerk.
- Public Works received a Class 6 rating in FEMA's program for floodplain management.
- She gave the current/new updates regarding Community Resources and recreation centers.

ITEM 11 moved by Mayor Paul.

ITEM 11 - GENERAL BUSINESS

MOTION TO EXTEND EMERGENCY DECLARATION – I MOVE TO EXTEND THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER IN THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD COLORADO RESULTING FROM THE CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19 PANDEMIC, PURSUANT TO SECTION 1.27 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE, ORIGINALLY DECLARED BY PROCLAMATION OF THE LAKEWOOD CITY MANAGER ON MARCH 17, 2020, EXTENDED BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE CITY COUNCIL ON MULTIPLE OCCASIONS, AND BY THIS MOTION EXTENDED AGAIN UNTIL OCTOBER 26, 2020, UNLESS EARLIER EXTENDED OR TERMINATED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

Council member Skilling made a motion to extend the Emergency Declaration. It was seconded.

Vote on motion:

	AYES	NAYS		AYES	NAYS
PAUL	X		SPRINGSTEEN		X
ABLE	X		FRANKS	X	
VINCENT	X		JOHNSON	X	
GUTWEIN	X		LABURE	X	
BIEDA	X		HARRISON	X	
SKILLING	X				
			TOTAL	10	1

The motion passed.

**CONSENT AGENDA
 ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

Deputy City Clerk Bernadette Salazar read the Consent Agenda into the record. The Consent Agenda consists of Items 6 through 9, inclusive.

ITEM 6 – RESOLUTION 2020-40 – APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

ITEM 7 – RESOLUTION 2020-41 – APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE LAKEWOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION

ITEM 8 – RESOLUTION 2020-42 – REAPPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE NOXIOUS WEED LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD

ITEM 9 – RESOLUTION 2020-43 – APPOINTING AND REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE VICTIM ASSISTANCE COMPENSATION BOARD

A motion was made by Council member Skilling to adopt resolutions, all of which are included in the Consent Agenda Items, for the record and introduced by the Deputy City Clerk. It was seconded.

Public Comment: None.

Council Discussion:

Council member Able – He spoke about the Screening Committee and the different applicants for the various boards.

Vote on Consent Agenda:

	AYES	NAYS		AYES	NAYS
PAUL	X		SPRINGSTEEN	X	
ABLE	X		FRANKS	X	
VINCENT	X		JOHNSON	X	
GUTWEIN	X		LABURE	X	
BIEDA	X		HARRISON	X	
SKILLING	X				
			TOTAL	11	0

The motion passed.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

ITEM 10 – 1st PUBLIC HEARING/ORDINANCE O-2020-26 – ADOPTING A REVISED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2020 FOR THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, COLORADO, AND FURTHER ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2020, AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2020, ESTIMATING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY NECESSARY TO BE RAISED BY LEVYING TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2020, TO DEFRAY THE COSTS OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD, COLORADO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2021 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021, AND ESTIMATING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY TO BE DERIVED FROM OTHER REVENUE SOURCES, SETTING FORTH THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR EACH FUND

Holly Bjorklund, Chief Financial Officer, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the revised 2020 budget and the 2021 budget. She talked about the proposed 2020 revised budget and the 2021 budget, total City budget, general fund and TABOR fund, the Lakewood Reinvestment Authority and the next steps.

She showed graphs of the 2021 revenue by fund and the 2021 expense by department. She talked about budget realities; General Fund challenges, General Fund Revenue/Expenditure Gap, and evaluating and adjusting financial approach for an established City of Lakewood.

She showed a graph of the 2021 General Fund revenue, sales tax revenue by industry – August 2020, General Fund revenues projected through 2025, General Fund expenses, 2021 General Fund expense by department, and General Fund Balance Usage.

She spoke about TABOR Funds and showed a graph of the funds that were refunded to the citizens and retained by the City. She talked about the TABOR Fund projects and the General Fund impact.

Robert Smith, Director of Economic Development, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Lakewood Reinvestment Authority (LRA) 2020 Revised Budget and the 2021 Proposed Budget. He showed pictures and talked about some of the projects that would be completed in 2020.

Public Comment: none.

A motion was made by Council member Skilling to order Ordinance O-2020-26 to be published in the Denver Post with 2nd Public Hearing set for October 26, 2020. It was seconded.

Council comments:

Council member Gutwein – She had questions regarding the slash facility and why it was not included in the revised budget.

Hodgson – She stated they were still looking for a site for the slash facility and may be partnering with Jefferson County.

Gutwein – She asked what other capital projects were cut from the budget.

Jay Hutchinson, Director of Public Works – He stated they will create a comprehensive list for the next meeting. He stated a few projects that were cut.

Council member Springsteen – She asked if TABOR Funds could be used to purchase body cameras for the Police Department.

Bjorklund – She stated that yes TABOR could be used for the equipment fee. The concern was TABOR would not cover the ongoing cost or staffing costs.

Vote on motion:

	AYES	NAYS		AYES	NAYS
PAUL	X		SPRINGSTEEN	X	
ABLE	X		FRANKS	X	
VINCENT	X		JOHNSON	X	
GUTWEIN	X		LABURE		X
BIEDA	X		HARRISON	X	
SKILLING	X				
			TOTAL	10	1

The motion passed.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

THERE ARE NO SECOND READING ORDINANCES.

ITEM 11 – GENERAL BUSINESS

Mayor Paul moved Motion To Extend Emergency Declaration after Item 5 on the agenda.

Gutwein – She provide an update on the inclusive community signs and stated that the signs were being put back up where they were originally posted.

ITEM 12 – MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Paul and City Council Members reported their attendance at previous meetings and events and announced upcoming neighborhood meetings and events.

ITEM 13 – ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before City Council, Mayor Paul adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Bernadette Y. Salazar, Deputy City Clerk